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The Debate on the Charter in the Senate—Amendments Proposed—Wm. M. Tweed's Resignation.

From Our Special Correspondent.

ALBANY, Thursday, March 27, 1873.

The Senate went into Committee of the Whole this morning, Senator Winslow in the chair, immediately after the reading of the journal. The charter debate was opened with a brief discussion on the method of proceeding, and it was agreed that as the bill had been read through, the clerk should announce the sections successively, without reading them, and call for amendments. A verbal amendment was made to the first section. Mr. Tiemann then moved that the third section be amended, so as to have the three aldermen elected from each Senatorial district; but this motion he withdrew at the request of Mr. Woodin, who then moved that the second section be amended, to read that the Board of Assistant Aldermen should be abolished after the 1st of January, 1874. Mr. Benedict opposed this, in accordance with his often-declared preference for two legislative boards. He made a somewhat lengthy speech in support of his position, alleging that the Republican Party had not, as had been alleged, committed itself in favor of the abolition of the Assistant Board. The only party, to his idea, which had requested it was the Committee of Seventy, and it was one of the numerous crotchets of that body which were as impracticable as minority representation, cumulative voting, &c. If you wanted to make a Ring, the best way to do it was to lodge all legislative power in the hands of one board, without check. Mr. Benedict then went on to argue that every Senator had the right to state his convictions on this subject, and in reply to a remark interjected by Mr. Tiemann, said that nothing had been fixed in the caucus, except that every gentleman could do as he pleased. For his part, he could not give up the opinions and ideas he had formed during thirty years' experience of legislation in New-York. He hoped, in conclusion, that the Assistant Board would not be abolished. Mr. Tiemann spoke to the same effect, relating his experience of the Assistant Board, and stating that many jobs which passed one board had been killed in the other. Then came Mr. Madden, who was also in favor of the retention of the Assistant Aldermen. Mr. Woodin said he was willing to have them continue till the end of their term, but it was a matter of doubt whether this term did not expire at the time stated in the amendment. As to the argument for the indefinite continuance of the Assistant Board, he showed that all the advantages which it was claimed for two boards, were found in the system of electing Aldermen by districts, and on general ticket. By the sixteenth section no money could be expended by the board without the concurrent vote of four-fifths of all the members elected; and additional allowances over any legal claim, could only be made by an unanimous vote of the board. There was no possible safeguard or advantage which it was claimed the Assistant Board would supply, which was not found in the Board of Aldermen, as elected by districts and on general ticket. Mr. Weismann said he had resided for more than forty years in the City of New-York, and his experience of municipal legislation was that the Assistant Board was a fifth wheel to that legislative coach. It was an useless incumbrance, and a very expensive one. It was actually a check on the carrying out of reforms in the City Government, and he should only refer to a recent instance of this, where the resolutions of the Aldermen to abolish all private lamps paid for by the City, was killed in the Board of Assistant Aldermen. An annual saving to the City of over $50,000 a year was thus lost. He hoped the Assistant Board would be abolished.

Mr. Murphy, who had been listening intently to the debate among his Republican colleagues, now rose, and said that he was rejoiced to find, from the tone of the discussion, that the provisions of this charter were to be determined on principles, uninfluenced by party feeling. Arguing on the general principles on which legislation was based, he was in favor of retaining the second board, which was the more popular body, and nearer to the people than the Aldermen who were elected on the general ticket. It was true that by the system proposed, some of the disadvantages of placing all power in the hands of one board would be obviated; but it could not but follow that many parts of the City, and interests beyond the mere taxing power, would be unrepresented.

Mr. Woodin, to meet the views of Senators who were opposed to legislating any officials out of office, that the Assistant Aldermen should continue in office till 1875, moved an amendment to that effect, to be made to the second section, and which also vested all the powers now exercised by both boards in the one board. Mr. Murphy moved to strike out all that part of the amendment which abolished the Assistant Board. This was negatived, and Mr. Woodin's amendment was adopted.

It may be stated here that the law under which it was contended the Assistant Aldermen held their offices till 1875, was worded thus: "and *annually* thereafter they shall be elected *every two years*." Some remarks were very naturally made by Senators on the notorious slovenliness with which our statutes were worded.

This matter being disposed of, Mr. Woodin moved to strike out sections 3, 4, and the words "Assistant Aldermen" in section 5, and substitute for these two, section 3 of the bill, as it came from the Assembly. After some trifling amendments had been made to it, the substitute was adopted, and section 3 now reads as follows:

SEC. 3. The Board of Aldermen now in office shall hold office until the first Monday of January, in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-five, the same being the term for which they were elected. There shall be twenty-one Aldermen elected at the general State elections which shall occur in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-four, three of whom shall be elected in each Senate District of the City, as now constituted, and shall be residents of the district in which they are elected, but no voter shall vote for more than two of said Aldermen. There shall also be elected six Aldermen at large, to be voted for on a separate ballot, but no voter shall vote for more than four of the said Aldermen at large. The members of the Board of Aldermen shall hold office for the space of one year, and shall take office on the first Monday in January next succeeding their election, at noon. Annually thereafter, at the general State election, there shall be elected a full Board of Aldermen, as herein before provided. In case a vacancy shall occur in the Board of Aldermen, it shall be filled in the manner hereinafter provided for the appointment of heads of departments, and the person so appointed shall serve until the 1st day of January at noon next succeeding the next general election succeeding the occurrence of a vacancy. But in no case shall the person so appointed serve after the expiration of the term in which the vacancy shall occur. At such election an Alderman shall be elected to serve for the remainder of the unexpired term.

Before the substitute was adopted, some discussion took place between Mr. Murphy and Mr. Woodin, on a motion of the former to have Aldermen elected by Assembly districts. Mr. Murphy contending that this would make the board a more popular body, and would secure minority representation; while Mr. Woodin argued that the plan embraced in the proposed substitute would effect the object more thoroughly. Mr. Tiemann called for a count on this motion, and with some disgust exclaimed, "Is that all?" when only five Senators responded in the affirmative. Then he tried to have the elections held in the Spring, but the motion was voted down at once.

The reading then proceeded. In section 8, all that part which retained the present presidents of the two boards in office till the end of the terms for which they were elected, was stricken out, on motion of Mr. Woodin. No other amendment of importance was made, and the Clerk soon reached the famous appointment section, which now again becomes the twenty-fifth, with the adoption of the amendments just referred to.

When this was announced there was a pause, and Mr. Woodin good-humoredly remarked he supposed it was a breathing spell before the fray commenced. This section, as it now stands, he continued, was not the work of Senator Adams, as had been stated; it was not his (Woodin's) work; it was not that of any Federal office-holder; it was not the work of any one man. It was without paternity, and an orphan. It was put in solidly to allow the committee to make their report. He had some idea of reporting the charter with only the number of the section filled in and allowing the Senate to supply the blank; but here was the section, and it remained for Senators to do what they pleased with it. It might be that they would adopt it as it stood, or they might do something better. He had his own ideas of what the best plan would be, but he desired the Senate to discuss this matter, and whatever the decision arrived at, he should bow to it.

Mr. Lowery offered the following as a substitute: The Mayor shall nominate, and by and with the consent of the Aldermen, shall appoint all the heads of departments, whether for full terms or to fill vacancies. Whenever the Mayor shall nominate any person to the Board of Aldermen, the latter shall act upon the nomination by voting to confirm or reject the same at the same meeting at which the nomination is made, or at the meeting next succeeding. All votes on such nomination shall be by yeas and nays, which shall be recorded. If a nomination is not fully acted upon at the meeting at which it is received, and if a meeting is not to be regularly held within one week thereafter, the President shall call a special meeting on two days' public notice, and the nomination shall then be acted upon. If the Aldermen shall reject any person nominated by the Mayor, he shall promptly nominate another person in the place of the one so rejected, and continue so to nominate until the place for which the nomination is made shall be filled as herein provided. All nominations made by the Mayor shall be by him at once made public, and the action of the Aldermen thereon shall be in public meeting, and the Mayor shall not more than once nominate the same person for the same place within the same year.

After the reading of the section, for some few moments no one appeared willing to open the debate, till Mr. Murphy, looking over the paper, called the attention of the Senators to the fact that no provision was made to obviate a possible deadlock. Mr. Lowery replied that he depended on public sentiment to do that. He offered this substitute mainly to get the opinion of Senators. His wish was to have the system under which the National Government was conducted engrafted into the charter for New-York. Mr. Benedict agreed with this idea, but he could not find in the United States Constitution any long special enactment, as this substitute contained, directing how the confirming power should proceed. He was desirous, however, the Aldermen should act on the nominations within a reasonable time, and in public meeting.

Here occurred another pause, and the Chairman had to ask if any other Senator wished to speak before the motion was put.

Mr. Woodin then rose, saying he would have his silence construed into giving assent to this proposition. He was opposed to it entirely. For himself, he had, he thought, a better plan to propose; but if the Senate choose to accept this substitute, all right. But now he should move as an amendment that the Mayor and the Presidents of both boards have the sole power of nomination, and on this he should ask a vote. In support of his position, he argued that it was the duty of Republicans to take care of the interests of the party; that as they would be held responsible for the exercise of the power, they ought to have the selection of their agents. Give the power which this substitute proposes to him, (the speaker,) and he would reign in New-York like a tyrant. There was not a political body there which he could not control. About the plan he had proposed there was no circumlocution. It proposed to effect an object, and it went straight to the work. This charter had been called a partisan charter. It was one, and could not be otherwise; but it was not partisan in an offensive sense. In whatever form this charter goes to New-York, if it goes at all, continued Mr. Woodin, it will go either for the benefit of the Republican Party, or the Democratic, and do what you might, it could go in no other way.

Mr. Lowery, who had put several questions to Mr. Woodin while the latter was speaking, replied in a speech of some length, contending that the Republican Party had not been deceived in Mayor Havemeyer; that Mr. Murphy's letter (which he read) showed that the Mayor was essentially a non-party candidate; that every trust could be placed in him to do right, and that the Republican Party could not afford to depart from its principles for any supposed partisan advantage. At the conclusion of his remarks, the Senate adjourned till 7 P. M.

MR. TWEED'S RESIGNATION.

The Lieutenant-Governor announced to the Senate, this morning, that he had received Mr. Tweed's resignation, and had filed it in the Secretary of State's office. Subsequently, Mr. Madden moved that the Tweed Investigating Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the matters referred to them for action, and after some debate, Mr. Johnson strenuously opposing the motion, it was agreed to, and the committee was discharged.

MORNING SESSION OF THE HOUSE.

The House spent nearly the whole of the morning in committee on the Rochester Commission bills, the debate on them being quite sharp. In the end, the Rochester Water-works bill was recommitted to the Committee on Cities, with instructions to strike out the enacting clause.

THE CANAL COMMITTEE.

State Engineer Taylor, Canal Commissioner Barkley, and ex-Commissioner Wright appeared before the Assembly Canal Committee this morning, and laid before it elaborate statements controverting the declarations and statements made before that committee several days since by State Treasurer Raines. From the records of the Canal Board, they show that Treasurer Raines voted for every appropriation made by the board except one.

Evening Debate in the Senate on the New-York Charter.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

ALBANY, March 27.—When the Senate reassembled this evening, everything gave promise of the fight which was to come. Senators were consulting earnestly in groups, and in the chamber were seated the several gentlemen from the City, who have been urging the passage of the charter. Mr. Woodin had his amendment read, giving the power of appointment to the Mayor and the two Presidents, and said he offered it in the brief form presented to get the views of Senators. If it met their views he intended to put it in a more complete form. Various schemes had been proposed to accomplish the object referred to, and it would doubtless surprise them to hear that this very proposal of his was really the proposition of the Committee of Seventy. To sustain this Mr. Woodin read from the report of a subcommittee of that body advising that the power of appointment be given to a board of three men.

Mr. Tiemann interrupted to say that the committee had expressly repudiated those propositions, and had discharged the subcommittee for making them.

Mr. Woodin said all the committee had urged showed that they were afraid to give the Mayor appointing power, and the speeches made in this Chamber by Prof. Dwight showed this as plainly as words could do. This charter was one of the best, most carefully drawn and thoroughly good instruments which had ever been presented here. It had drawn nothing but praise even from the Committee of Seventy. Mr. Woodin asked if a single paper outside of the City of New-York had criticised this charter.

A little discussion arose on this as to the position of the country Press in regard to the charter, till Mr. Tiemann asked if it was proposed to pass a charter for the country Press, and Mr. Madden suggested that the City Press oppose it because it cuts off the fat pickings under Tweed.

Mr. Woodin, resuming his argument, spoke at length on the position THE TIMES has assumed since Mayor Havemeyer's election, and reading several extracts from editorials of various dates, argued that THE TIMES had itself proved that the Mayor had placed himself out of sympathy with the Republican Party, and could not be trusted by that party.

Mr. Lowery asked leave to read the short editorial which appeared in regard to the charter in THE TIMES of to-day.

Mr. Woodin said he had seen it. That was the other side of their hand. It said one thing to-day and another to-morrow, and what dependence could be placed on a journal which changed with the day? Republicans must act on their own conviction. He continued to argue that Republicans would be held responsible for the government of the City.

Mr. Lowery said he was sorry to hear the Senator argue that, in framing an organic law for the great City of New-York, we must frame it to suit one party. He did not want a charter for or against Mayor Havemeyer, but he was here to give, as far as in him lay, the citizens of that great City the best charter which the Legislature could frame, and then commit the government of the City to its citizens. As Mr. Woodin had read from THE TIMES, he also would read from that paper an editorial of the strongest possible non-partisan character, and calling for legislation, not in the interests of politicians, but in those of the people. Mr. Lowery said he was not the advocate of Mayor Havemeyer, but he thought the Republican Party would sound its death knell in passing such a partisan scheme as was contained in the proposed amendment.

Mr. Lewis thought the Senator from the Nineteenth, Mr. Lowery, had fallen into an error. The whole trouble about getting a charter for New-York was that there was an immense patronage there; if there were not we should hear nothing about this trouble. The Senator seemed to think there was a high moral principle involved in this bill and the knell of the Republican Party was sounded if it were ignored. There was nothing of the sort. If there were it ought to run through every charter. But the Mayor of Boston, the Mayor of Philadelphia, and the Mayor of Baltimore had not the power of appointment. Mr. Lewis referred sarcastically to the action of Mr. Lowery in voting for a Brooklyn Police bill last year, which gave certain powers of appointment to the Mayor and two others for a party purpose.

Mr. Lowery replied that he had voted for party measures and expected to again, but he denied that the charter was a party measure.

Mr. Lewis said it was not for him to say whether a bill was or was not a party measure. The bill itself showed that. But all he desired to say was, there was not any "high moral principle" involved in the matter. It was a party measure, and there was no escape from the position.

Mr. D. P. Wood said he was surprised this morning to hear the Senator from the Twenty-fifth (Mr. Woodin) say that section 27 of the charter could claim no paternity, and then bring forward a living brother to it, which he claims as his own. That section had been thoroughly examined and the seal of public condemnation had been set upon it. There was a "moral" principle involved in this matter. It was involved in the thousand promises which the Republican Party had made to the citizens of New-York, that they would give them a non-partisan government. We stand here to-day, with 10,000 pledges on our lips, and shall we," continued Mr. Wood, "basely desert and violate those very promises under which we came into power. I hold that a party is dishonored by breaking its pledges as much as an individual. I will say more, it is dishonest; and can we govern the City by patronage, as the Senator from the Twenty-fifth (Mr. Woodin) states. I say we cannot; that any attempt to do so must result in disaster and disgrace to the Republican Party." Mr. Wood, referring to the fate of the several attempts which had been made to do this, pointed out they had resulted in nearly annihilating the party, and in most eloquent terms referred to the pledges with which the Republican Party came into power, and announced his determination to stand by them. Then in reply to certain statements of THE TIMES, quoted by Senator Woodin, he read the concluding paragraphs of an editorial calling on the Legislature to pass the charter giving the power of appointment to the Mayor. The articles quoted by Senator Woodin were written before public opinion had become crystalized, but here was the settled conviction, when the cloud had cleared away and the light had come. It was a mistake to say that the Republican Party demanded that these appointments should be seized upon because we have the physical power to do so. The Republican Party does not, but a small section of it did. When the Senator from the Twenty-fifth retired awhile from the stifling atmosphere of this capitol, imported to it from New-York, he would find that he was in error. The pressure which had been brought to bear on Senators on this matter, was almost more than human nature could resist, and when the speaker saw Senators who, not twenty-four hours before, thought the best thing to do was to give the appointment to the Mayor, changing front at this hour, he began to realize more than he had before the power and extent of the influences which clustered around this question.

The speech of Mr. Wood was undoubtedly the finest oratorical effort which the Senate had heard this session. It was entirely extemporaneous, and to its effect on the Senate was undoubtedly due the early adjournment of the debate.

Mr. Madden now took up the question. He could only see that the Press oppose this charter because there was a provision in it about a corporation paper, which would cut off the pickings of the newspaper people. As to that immaculate Republican, Mr. Havemeyer, Mr. Madden understood that he had just made THE TIMES (here the speaker dropped his voice to a stage whisper) a corporation paper.

Mr. Wood immediately asked his authority for the statement.

Mr. Madden refused to give it, saying that it was imparted in confidence, and continued his oration, which, to speak mildly, was a remarkable one.

At its conclusion, Mr. Woodin moved that the bill be progressed, which was done, and it was made the special order for to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

THE BROOKLYN TRAGEDY

Arrest of the Anxiously-Sought Woman—The Mystery of the Goodrich Murder Nearing a Solution.

At last the police have shown their hand in the Goodrich murder, having arrested a woman on suspicion of being the person who committed the crime. The story to be disclosed by the police at the inquest to-day is expected to be one of startling interest, revealing the hidden life of the murdered man, the profession of the betrayed woman, their first meetings, and the wrong which prompted the last and worst meeting of all. It may be that in this instance, as in many others, the pursuing vengeance of the outraged law will fall short of its work, and fail in securing full satisfaction for the crime committed under circumstances of such deep mystery, and in this respect the question whether or not the suspected woman was aided by a male companion in the commission of the murder, naturally presents itself. Indeed, the longer the investigation by the detectives is continued, the firmer grows the belief that the killing of Mr. Goodrich was not the work of a single individual. It seems scarcely credible that a woman, however strong she might be in frame, or infuriated by her real or fancied wrongs, could be so brutally tigerish in her passion as to enable her to leave the body of the victim in the condition in which it was found.

Although the police authorities are reticent as to the information they have obtained, sufficient has been gleaned by our reporters upon which to base the probable theory of the prosecution. It appears to be quite certain that Chief of Police Campbell has taken hold of this case in the most praiseworthy manner, and, assisted by the detectives he has selected, has succeeded in following the slender thread of information at first obtained until it is now strong and binding. It is simple justice to add that Detectives Videtto and Folk have been at work night and day in following the clues they have obtained. Not only has Brooklyn been scoured, but New-York and other cities have been visited, either by them, or other officers acting under their instructions.

One of the most important facts in this extraordinary case has only just come to light. The public has hitherto been led to believe that the woman now thought to have commited the murder, was alone in the house when Mr. Goodrich was killed. This will doubtless prove not to be the case, for it has been ascertained that this person had a quantity of baggage, consisting of a valise, a small black trunk and other packages stored in a vacant house near the scene of the tragedy. It was in this house that a TIMES reporter observed that the front basement was blackened by the smoke of a heavy coal fire which had been burned there, and that a portion of a woman's chignon lay in a dusty corner of the room, into which it had been evidently carelessly thrown. All of this baggage had been removed when the murder was discovered. Therefore it is reasonable to presume that all of the packages had been taken away during the night. If this baggage was carried off at one time, it seems impossible that the woman could have done it alone, a fact naturally suggesting the presence and co-operation of a male accomplice.

The point is worthy of consideration, for many of the detectives not engaged on the case, judging from their own personal experience in the past, claim that the crime could not have been committed by a woman and leave the attendant circumstances the same, unless a man was present and aided her, not only in the murder, but in her subsequent flight and evasion of pursuit. In this respect it is claimed that no betrayed woman, shooting her betrayer, and, in her remorse, washing his face to see if he were dead, would, on finding him to be dead, take his watch and money from his pocket. The natural inference would almost be that she would fly at once, unhesitatingly and blindly, leaving everything behind her.

THE ARREST OF THE UNKNOWN WOMAN.

The first step toward unraveling the mystery was taken last evening. Acting upon private information received yesterday morning by Chief Campbell, Detectives Videtto and Folk were dispatched by him to New-York for the purpose of arresting a woman who, it had been ascertained, was acquainted with Mr. Goodrich during his life-time and sustained intimate relations toward him. Mr. Campbell had been led to believe that this woman, who was working as a shirt-maker in a store in one of the avenues up-town, under an assumed name, was the identical person who had been seen leaving the house where Mr. Goodrich's body had been found. The detectives were successful in their search, and 6 o'clock last evening made the arrest as ordered.

Precisely at 7½ o'clock a close carriage drove up to the door of Police Head-quarters, corner of Court and Livingston streets. Detective Folk was the first to alight from the carriage, and handed out the prisoner, who was closely veiled, Detective Videtto closely following, as they proceeded up-stairs. The prisoner was immediately escorted into the private office of the Chief of Police, the door of which was locked. The woman under arrest was about five feet four inches in height, rather thin and wiry in frame, and having a pale complexion, brown hair and eyes, and apparently about twenty-eight years of age. Her face bore traces of anxiety and trouble, though she was somewhat self-possessed in demeanor.

As soon as Mr. Campbell had been apprised of the arrival of the prisoner, he prepared to interrogate her. Before doing so he told the woman, whose name the police persistently refuse to reveal, that she had been arrested because it was believed that she could tell the police a good deal about the death of Mr. Goodrich. The following conversation then ensued:

Chief—Did you know Mr. Goodrich?

Prisoner—Oh, yes; I knew Charley well.

Chief—What do you mean by knowing him well?

Prisoner—He often visited me at my house, and took tea there.

Chief—Were you ever down at his houses in Degraw-street?

Prisoner (hesitating)—Yes, I was there about the 20th of last month. [That was about the date of the night when a lady school-teacher, passing by, heard a woman's voice in Goodrich's house crying, "Mercy! Don't kill me!"]

Chief—What did you go to his house for on the 20th?

Prisoner—Why, I went to see if Charley owned the houses, as he told me he did.

Chief—What did you say to him when you went there?

Prisoner—I remarked that the place was scantily furnished, and he told me that he kept bachelor's hall.

Chief—Is that all you said to him?

Prisoner—No; I told him that I thought he was a married man.

Chief—What did he say to that?

Prisoner—He replied that he was not, but that he had foolishly become involved with a girl, whom he intended very soon to shake.

Chief—When did you last see Goodrich?

Prisoner—Some time last week.

Chief—What day was it?

Prisoner—I cannot remember the night.

Chief—Where was it you saw him?

Prisoner (hesitating)—He called upon me at my own house.

Chief—How is it that you can't remember the date when you remember the conversation in February?

Prisoner—I don't know.

Chief—Did you ever have a difficulty with some man at your house in New-York, in Goodrich's presence?

Prisoner—Yes; but I put Charley in another room.

Chief—Wasn't the quarrel about Goodrich?

Prisoner—Yes, I believe it was.

Chief—When did you first hear of the death of Mr. Goodrich?

Prisoner—I took up a paper on Saturday morning at my house, and read about the murder.

Chief—When you read the account of the murder of your friend, did it make any difference about your going to work?

Prisoner—[Hesitating a good deal.] No—o.

Chief—What time did you go to work Saturday morning?

Prisoner—About 11 o'clock.

Chief—Is that the usual time for you to commence work?

Prisoner—No, I generally go about 8½.

Chief—Why didn't you go at that hour on Saturday morning?

Prisoner—I don't know, except that I didn't feel very well.

Chief, suddenly—Where were you on Thursday night?

Prisoner—I can't remember.

Chief—What were you doing that night?

Prisoner—I don't know. I can't remember anything about it.

Chief—Don't you think it was very strange that, on reading the account that your intimate friend had been so cruelly murdered, you did not come over to Brooklyn at once and ascertain some of the facts?

Prisoner—I had no desire to see him in that condition.

Chief—In what condition?

Prisoner—In the condition the papers said he was found.

Chief—Where were you on Friday?

Prisoner—I don't remember. I can't tell now.

Chief—Were you at work?

Prisoner—I can't say whether I was or not.

Chief—Have you been over to Brooklyn since the murder of Mr. Goodrich?

Prisoner—Not till I was brought here now.

Chief—That's very odd, for you say that your friendship with Goodrich was of an intimate character. Where were you on Friday evening?

Prisoner—I don't remember. I think I was at home.

Chief—Can't you tell us where you were on Thursday evening or Friday either?

Prisoner—No.

Chief—When you read the newspaper did you form any idea as to the manner of his death?

Prisoner—Oh, yes.

Chief—How do you think it was done. Was it done by a man or a woman?

Prisoner, (with alacrity,)—By a man. (After a pause.) By an enemy, who followed him to his house and killed him.

Chief—Now tell me why you didn't come to Brooklyn before?

Prisoner—Well, as I couldn't do the man a good turn, I wouldn't do him a bad one.

Chief—What do you mean by a bad one?

Prisoner—I didn't know what they would think of my coming there.

Although closely questioned for some time, the prisoner failed to give any explanation of her conduct or her whereabouts about the time Mr. Goodrich must have been murdered, all of her answers being given with great hesitancy. She was attired in a plain dress with a brown overskirt, and stated that it was her working dress. She stated that she had other dresses, a brown and black one, but immediately added that she had only recently purchased them. Her extreme reticence with regard to all important questions touching the time of the murder, only adds to the belief that she knows more of the terrible tragedy than she chooses to acknowledge. It is known that she is a married woman: but, having had trouble with her husband, she has not lived with him for some time. Beyond these details, nothing is known.

About 10 o'clock last night, Mr. W. W. Goodrich, brother of the murdered man, accompanied by another gentleman, arrived at Head-quarters in a carriage, in answer to a summons from the Chief of Police. They were shown into the room where the prisoner was sitting, and after an interview of half an hour's duration, the nature of which did not transpire, the visitors left.

Mr. Campbell then sent the prisoner before Coroner Whitehill, who decided that, as she could not be sent to the County Jail at that late hour of the night, she must be kept in custody at Police Head-quarters until the inquest this afternoon.

NORTH CAROLINA.

Operations Against Illicit Distillers and Tobacco Smugglers.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

RALEIGH, N. C., March 27.—Major Berry, United States detective; E. D. Upchurch, Deputy Marshal, and six United States soldiers, left this city on the 17th to intercept tobacco-wagons traveling through Richmond, Robeson, and Cumberland Counties, and to break up illicit distilleries in these counties. They seized thirty boxes of tobacco unstamped at Shoe-Heel, Robeson County; three wagons, loaded with illicit whisky, near Laurel Hill, Richmond County, and two wagons of tobacco, fraudulently stamped, near Laurinburg, Richmond County. They broke up half a dozen liquor-houses doing business without license.

The party stopped over night at Fayetteville, where they were hissed by the citizens, and otherwise badly treated. Collector Blocker thought at one time it would be necessary to organize a force to protect Berry, Upchurch, and the soldiers, such threatening demonstrations were made.

The party were in Scuffletown, formerly the head-quarters of the Robeson outlaws, but heard nothing of Steve Lowrey, the only outlaw known to be alive.

Trouble in a Baltimore Methodist Episcopal Church.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

BALTIMORE, March 27.—The Madison-avenue M. E. Church, one of the largest and wealthiest city congregations, desired the appointment of Rev. Dr. Hatfield, of Chicago. At the Conference, ended a few weeks ago, a committee waited on Bishop Foster, who assured them they should have him for a pastor. When the appointments were read everybody was surprised to find Rev. John H. Dashiell assigned to the church. The mass of the congregation are indignant, and accuse Bishop Foster of being ruled by intrigues in the conference, and great excitement has been caused. A committee saw Rev. Dr. Dashiell, and informed him that the church did not want him. He came to Baltimore to-day, and the matter has reached a crisis. Some members of the church talk of barring the parsonage and church against him. Others counsel the withholding of his salary. He has not assumed any duties yet, but seems intent on doing so, while his enemies seem determined not to yield.

Centralization—State Rights in the Matter of Debts Abandoned.

RICHMOND, Va., March 27.—A joint resolution, indorsing Gov. Walker's plan for the assumption by the Federal Government of the debts of the States, was, yesterday, passed by both Houses of the General Assembly, and the Governor has been instructed to forward copies of the resolution and his message on the same subject to the Legislatures of the several States.

The Senate passed a joint resolution to amend the State Constitution so as to provide for biennial sessions of the General Assembly.

WASHINGTON.

The Capitol Deserted—Senators Leaving—Pacific Cable—The President Again Invited South.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—The Capitol was fairly deserted to-day. An hour's stroll through its corridors discovered but one Senator. They were all down-town looking after little odds and ends of business preparatory to leaving. Fully half of them have already left, and the remainder will nearly all be off by Saturday. While the pressure for office by individuals is quite strong, there is much less inclination than usual on the part of Senators and Representatives to remain here to urge the claims of their constituents, because of the policy of the President, of which they are fully aware, to make changes in the public service only for cause. A dull Summer, in a political sense, may, therefore, be looked for in Washington.

PACIFIC CABLE.

Capt. Celso Cæsar Moreno, whose Pacific cable project was squelched by Senator Casserly's fatal motion to reconsider, after it had passed both houses of Congress, does not propose to give it up so. He thinks the Senate made a great mistake in failing to exhibit a proper degree of interest in a measure of such high importance to the United States, but he proposes to go forward without delay, and will make an attempt to enlist Pacific coast capital in the enterprise.

THE WHITE HOUSE.

The President will hereafter, while Congress is not in session, receive callers on other than official business only on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, from 11 A. M. to 1 P. M.

INVITATION TO THE PRESIDENT TO GO SOUTH.

Senators Robertson and Patterson, with a delegation from South Carolina, appointed by the Legislature of that State, and consisting of Lieut.-Gov. Gleaves, State Senator Swails, and Representative Hurley, of the Legislature, called upon the President to-day to invite him to make a Southern tour this Spring. They assured him that he would meet with a cordial reception from all classes of citizens. The President thanked the delegation, and said it had been his intention to visit the South this Spring, and he had greatly desired to do so. He found, however, that the press of his public duties would preclude the possibility of his going this Spring, but he hoped to be able to go a year hence.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

THE NEW-YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD SEIZURES.

In response to an inquiry from Collector Bailey as to whether he should now commence the seizure of the real estate of the New-York Central Railroad Company, the Internal Revenue Commissioner responds that it will be necessary under the law to exhaust all the personal property of the company before a seizure is made upon the real estate.

EXCHANGE OF OLD COPPER COIN.

Instructions for the exchange and redemption after April 1, 1873, in sums of not less than $20, or its multiple, of all old copper, bronze, and copper nickel coins, heretofore authorized by law, have been issued by the Treasury Department. They provide for the exchange at par at the Mint in Philadelphia of all such coins authorized by the sixteenth section of the Coinage act of 1873, and for their redemption in lawful money in similar sums at the Mint and by all assistant treasurers and designated depositaries of the United States, the expense of transportation on the old coin and currency paid therefor to be borne by the party sending it, and that on the new coin by the United States.

PATENTS.

Over 600 applications for patents have been received at the Patent Office this week, and over 300 patents have been issued. The receipts this year for copies of documents, including those connected with litigation, &c., will, it is supposed, reach $75,000, a larger sum than was ever before received in any former year on that account. The general receipts thus far for March exceed those for any previous complete month since the organization of the Patent Office.

NEW-JERSEY LEGISLATURE.

The Railroad Agitation—Educational Matters—An Important Appointment.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

TRENTON, March 27.—There was some debate in the Senate, this morning, on the bill providing for the municipal taxation of railway property. Several amendments were proposed, but only one was adopted, providing that companies which formally accept the act shall be subject in all things to its provisions, and that all laws conflicting therewith shall thereupon cease to be operative. It is thought that this amendment will really exempt certain corporations from taxes, to which they are now liable, and it is probable that—the bill still lying upon the table—the amendment will yet be stricken out, and the bill passed substantially as reported by the Judiciary Committee. In fact, it is reported that the amendment will be withdrawn at the next session.

The Senate to-day ordered a committee of conference on the House amendments to the General Railroad law, the special committee of the former body being unable to agree to certain of the amendments. The conference was had at noon, but the result is not known. There is no doubt of the ultimate passage of the law. The amendment to which the Senate particularly objects, is that prohibiting the construction of parallel lines within a distance of 1,500 feet.

The Senate has adopted a resolution instructing the Committee on Education to inquire whether any, and if so what, changes ought to be made in the educational system of the State, and report in relation thereto, by bill or otherwise, to the next session of the Legislature. The only bill of importance passed to-day by the Senate provides for minority representation in township committees and election boards. The House has been engaged upon routine business.

Ex-Senator A. G. Cattell, of this State, has been appointed Special Agent of the United States Government to superintend the placing of the two hundred million loan. Senator Cattell's experience as President of the Corn Exchange Bank of Philadelphia, and as a member of the Finance Committee of the United States Senate, will be found peculiarly valuable to the Government in this delicate and responsible position. He expects to sail for Europe about the middle of April, and will fix his head-quarters at London.

The Summer Resolutions Settled.

BOSTON, Mass., March 27.—The Massachusetts Senate to-day rejected all amendments, and accepted, by a vote of 27 to 4, the adverse report of the committee on the petition of John G. Whittier and others, for annulling or rescinding the Sumner resolutions, passed last session. The House has already done the same thing, so that the matter is finally settled.

The Bank Forger in Havana to be Sent to England.

HAVANA, March 26.—Bidwell, the alleged forger, remains in close confinement, cut off from all communication from others. Permission has been refused him to consult with counsel. The authorities have made arrangements, subject to the sanction of the Home Government, to send the prisoner back to London as soon as the British officers arrive to take charge of him. Orders to that effect are daily expected from Madrid.

FOREIGN NEWS.

The Spanish Revolution—Rumored Abdication of Don Carlos—Insubordination in the Republican Forces.

MADRID, March 27.—It is rumored that a secession movement is on foot in the Canaries, the leaders of which propose to declare the islands independent of Spain, and to ask for a British protectorate. Gen. Hidalgo has been appointed Captain-General of the Canaries.

Insubordination is spreading in the army of Catalonia. Many of the officers have been threatened with death and obliged to fly.

The Carlists are masters of Upper Catalonia.

The ministerial crisis has terminated. No changes in the Cabinet have yet been announced, but a decree will be issued to-morrow or Saturday ordering elections for the Constituent Cortes. The conservatives, it is said, will abstain from voting.

The *Imparcial* announces that Don Carlos had abdicated his claims to the Spanish throne in favor of his son, under the Regency of Don Alphonso.

Gen. Cabrera has been appointed to the supreme command of the Carlist forces in Spain.

PARIS, March 27.—President Thiers has ordered that Señor Elio, Director of the Carlist Committee at Bayonne, be "interned," and that the Prefect of the Lower Pyrenees arrest Don Carlos wherever found.

The Memphis and El Paso Cases in Paris—State of Seige.

PARIS, March 27.—Judgment has been rendered in the Memphis and El Paso Railroad case. The defendants are pronounced guilty of swindling, and sentenced to various terms of imprisonment. Gen. Fremont is condemned in contumaciam to five years' confinement. Other defendants, who were present, were arrested to-day as they were leaving the court.

VERSAILLES, March 27.—The Assembly to-day rejected a motion made by the Left for the abolition of the state of seige.

Steam-ship Great Western Ashore.

LONDON, March 27.—The steam-ship Great Western from Bristol, for New-York, went ashore at Blackmore to-day in a heavy fog.

Powell's expedition left England to-night for its destination.

Austrian Politics.

VIENNA, March 27.—The Lower House of the Reichsrath has passed the Direct Election bill to its second and third readings by 18 votes in excess of the required two-thirds majority.

Death of Noted and Notorious Personages in Europe.

PARIS, March 27.—The death of M. Amédée Simon Dominique Thierry, brother of the eminent French historian, is announced this morning. M. Thierry was in the seventy-sixth year of his age.

ROME, March 27.—The Countess Guiccioli is dead.

Republican Organizations in Havana—Lenteney Toward Widows and Orphans.

HAVANA, March 26.—The Republicans continue to organize here and in the interior of the island.

It is rumored that a decree will soon appear releasing embargoed properties now belonging to widows and orphans, and to a number of Cuban gentlemen who have been in no wise connected with the rebellion.

A report has reached this city that three detachments of troops, composed almost wholly of natives of the island, and which have hitherto been operating with the Spanish forces in the neighborhood of Manzanillo, have revolted and joined the insurgents, carrying off their commanding officers with them.

The law for the abolition of slavery in Porto Rico meets with the approval of the people. A few pro-slavery leaders only object to it. Even the slave-owners consider its provisions more favorable to their interests than they had reason to expect.

The Press generally abstains as yet from comment on the passage of the bill.

Señor Aspiros, the Mexican Commissioner, has arrived here, and sails to-day on the steamer for New-York.

THE PUBLIC SERVICE.

The Assistant Treasurer at Cincinnati—Pay-master's Department—Navy Orders.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—The nomination of R. B. Hayes, to be Assistant Treasurer at Cincinnati, was not confirmed by the Senate before adjournment yesterday, although it is understood that there was no personal opposition to Gen. Hayes. The office is a new one, and the act creating it does not take effect until the 1st of July. Senator Sherman had assured several applicants that there would be no appointment at present, and he, therefore, did not desire the confirmation of Gen. Hayes, as it would have looked like breaking faith with those to whom he had so expressed himself. The office can be filled during the recess, and it is probable that the appointment will be given to Gen. Hayes. If so, he will be promptly confirmed when the Senate shall again meet.

THE ARMY PAY DEPARTMENT.

The death of Col. Fry and Major Walker, Pay-masters in the army, which occurred recently, creates no vacancy in that corps, but this fact does not seem to be known, as applications have been sent in for several days past. The act of July 28, 1866

THE APRIL MAGAZINES.

—*Harper's* grows more and more lavish of its admirable wood-cuts. The April number contains no less than eighty-five illustrations, and, for the most part, they are as much better than those of the earlier numbers of the magazine, as they are more numerous. The leading article is by Mr. S. S. Conant, and with the true journalistic instinct he has taken for his theme the timely topic of Santo Domingo—or, as he calls it, "The Cradle of the New World." Mr. Conant does not confine himself to a description of the Samana Bay region, but gives a brief history and a graphic picture of the whole Island of Hayti. M. Reclus' recent volume, entitled "The Ocean," is the original orange from which Mr. Nordhoff has squeezed the juice which he serves up to the readers of *Harper's* in his paper on "Sea and Shore." Like the preceding article, this is an excellent specimen of condensation, and is profusely illustrated. Carrier-pigeons regained somewhat of their ancient reputation during the last siege of Paris, and Miss E. B. Leonard's account of the manner in which they are reared and trained will be found interesting. There was a time when "Porte Crayon" was regarded by the reading public as an entertaining writer and a promising artist. His present series of sketches among "The Mountains" of Virginia are interesting as an evidence of how greatly the taste of his readers has improved since the days when his contributions were considered as not being out of place in the pages of a first-class magazine. One of the best biographical sketches of "Horace Greeley" which has yet appeared, is that contributed by Mr. Junius Henri Browne, and Mr. Moncure D. Conway's paper on "Joseph Arch, and his agricultural reform agitation" is readable and apparently impartial. Eleven illustrations embellish Mr. Lyman Abbott's account of "Gog, Magog & Co.," and comprise the most notable of ancient and modern wood and stone giants. In Mr. Reade's "Simpleton" we are told how the hero went on a sea voyage, and after meeting the sea-serpent, fell overboard and was lost. No one, however, need despair of learning in a future number of his wonderful escape, and subsequent tremendous adventures. Mr. Collins' "New Magdalen" is at the point, as she has been in all of the last ten or twelve chapters, of confessing her imposition. The confession, however, is again delayed, and the tiresome young woman is still enjoying the fruits of her crime. Miss Thackeray's "Old Kensington" is drawing to a close, greatly to the regret of all who have enjoyed one of the best romances known to later English literature.

—*Lippincott's* indulges mildly in illustrations, some of which, as, for example, those attached to the article on "The Roumi in Kabylia," are excellent, and others, among which are the pictures of the brick and wooden buildings at Wilmington, are particularly uninteresting. An "Old Gown Boy" contributes what is the most attractive paper in the number, an account of Thackeray's "Gray Friars," and Howard Glyndon furnishes a pathetic little poem, entitled "Benediction." Mr. H. C. Wood's article on "Medical Expert Evidence," is a thorough discussion of its subject, and shows in particular the worthlessness of the medical evidence in the recent Schoeppe and Wharton trials. Mr. William Black's rural story, "A Princess of Thule," is continued, and Mrs. Rebecca Harding Davis begins one of her gloomy and maddening stories, entitled "Berrytown."

—*The Popular Science Monthly* is as attractive in its contents as is its bright and unpretentious cover. Mr. Gustave Lemattre tells what has been so far done in the hazardous operation of the "Transfusion of Blood;" Dr. J. R. Black writes of "Applied Sanitary Science," and makes some suggestions which our sanitary authorities would do well to heed; Prof. John Le Conte shows how the discoveries of the spectroscope support the "Nebular Hypothesis," and Mr. Paul Broca contributes a most interesting description of the "Cave Dwellers of France." In addition to these, which are, perhaps, the most striking articles in the number, are papers on "The Study of Sociology," by Herbert Spencer; "Barbarism in English Education," by Hon. E. E. White; "Science and our Educational System," by President F. A. P. Barnard; "Science and Public Affairs," by President Andrew H. White, and the "Discovery of Mount Tyndall," by Prof. William H. Brown, beside other contributions, and a host of miscellaneous scientific news.

—*The Catholic World* contains an elaborate attack upon certain of our "Public Charities," by which the reader is led to believe that the unhappy inmates of those institutions are subjected to all sorts of outrages in order to corrupt their morals and induce them to embrace Protestantism. "Records of a Prison" is an interesting history of the Parisian Palais Royal, including the various political demonstrations which have taken place within its walls. The steady devotion of American diplomatic agents to the work of spreading Protestantism abroad, is the theme of the article entitled "An Abuse of Diplomatic Authority," the writer of which makes it entirely clear that all the energies of our Government are devoted to the work of spreading the Protestant faith. The *Catholic World*, with its constant exposures of the tremendous proselyting efforts of all American Protestants, ought to be rather depressing to the ordinary Catholic reader.

—*The Aquatic Monthly* has for its frontispiece a photograph from a drawing by Cary Smith, of the Fall Regatta of the New-York Canoe Club. It is a very faithful and spirited sketch, and, together with the article upon the Canoe Club which accompanies it, ought to interest all lovers of canoeing. Numerous articles upon yachting and rowing matters, and a full resumé of boating news, make the number a valuable record of American and foreign aquatic sports.

—*The Aldine* for April has a series of sketches, taken in the Yellowstone region, by Thomas Moran, which are not only admirable as specimens of faithful and thoroughly artistic drawing, but are the first worthy attempts to describe, pictorially, the beauties of that wonderful region. Mr. Whittredge contributes a fine study of trees and water, entitled "A Catskill Brook," and two superbly engraved and printed pictures—one the "Death Warrant of Mary Stuart," after Wehle, and the other "The Peacock Complaining to Juno," by Doré—will attract general attention. Though not in themselves remarkable, the marvelous skill with which these two last-mentioned cuts are executed, is a proof of how closely wood engraving can be made to rival the best specimens of steel engraving. The letter-press is furnished by Mr. Stoddard, Clara F. Guernsey, James Watkins, E. B. Leonard, and others, and is bright and readable.

—*The American Church Review* for January is extremely creditable, both to its conductors and to the Church which it represents. The three articles upon "Local Deacons," "Presbyterianism and Episcopacy in Scotland," and "Protestantism in Germany," are conspicuous for learning and ability, and the remaining articles would do credit to the best of the English quarterly reviews.

—*The London Quarterly* and the *Edinburgh* reviews (Leonard Scott reprint,) for January are unusually interesting. Among the prominent articles in the former is a discussion from a conservative point of view of "The Ministry and University Education in Ireland," to which the recent defeat of Mr. Gladstone will attract attention. The *Edinburgh* contains, among other papers, a full account of what has been done in the way of the "Recovery of Jerusalem," by the efforts of the Palestine Exploration Society.

—We have also received the *Eclectic Magazine* and *Zell's Monthly Magazine* for April, and *Good Things* and *Good Words* for March.

Business in the Court of Oyer and Terminer.

In the Court of Oyer and Terminer yesterday, before Judge Brady, John Brown was convicted of breaking into the crockery-store of Augustus Stelling, in Third-avenue, and was sent to State Prison for three years and six months. Michael Brady pleaded guilty of an attempt at grand larceny, and was remanded for sentence. Alexander McPhail was charged with burglary in breaking into the ship Alfred, lying in the North River, but the prisoner, who was placed upon the stand, satisfied the jury that he had no criminal intent, and he was acquitted. Henry Lange was arraigned on a charge of feloniously assaulting Jacob Morgenthal. He pleaded guilty to an assault with intent to do bodily harm, and he was remanded to allow the production of evidence of good character. John Colgrove and Abraham Kebon were sent to the Penitentiary for six months, and the court adjourned.

SAW-DUST SWINDLERS.

Conviction of Two of the Gang Yesterday—Imprisonment and Fine.

In the Court of General Sessions, yesterday, before Recorder Hackett, Charles Moore and Frank Morson, jointly indicted with Oscar Hayes—who managed to get released on straw bail, and has not since been arrested—for printing and distributing circulars offering counterfeit money for sale on reasonable terms, were placed on trial. It will be remembered that these men were arrested on the 14th inst. in the raid made by the police of the Twenty-sixth Precinct on the "saw-dust" swindling concern, at No. 566 Broadway, run by Henry A. Menager, alias Henry Jennings, who had carried on similar enterprises at No. 74 Bleecker-street and No. 205 Mercer-street until discovered by the police. The circulars in question, of which four barrels full were seized by the police, after stating that they were printed in the sender's private office, says:

I hope that after I have placed confidence enough in you to send a circular of this kind relating the nature of my business, that you would not be so treacherous as to even breathe the contents of this document to a living being; should you betray me I will find means to be avenged in a way, perhaps, you would not dream of. If you do not wish to enter into this confidential business with me, all I ask is, that you burn this circular and let the secret die with the flame. On the other hand, if you conclude to enter into this speculation, that will in a few weeks make you a wealthy man. I would also advise you to burn the circular and preserve the secret, as when this circular is destroyed all evidence against you and me is obliterated.

The supposititious writer then cautions the receiver against using strong drink, in which there was danger of having the secret divulged. He states he is said to be the most expert engraver in America, having been employed by the Government for ten years, and can produce counterfeits which would defy detection by even the most skillful experts. The circular continues to state that large sums of the counterfeit money had been lodged in six different banks in New-York without detection; but recommends the mixture of genuine money with it when deposited by novices, to avoid suspicion. The writer next states:

I now need only a few true men to assist me for six months, then we will secure a fortune that will enable us to enjoy all the pleasures that money can procure on earth. My price of assistance is $100 for $1,000 one-half cash, and the other half as soon as the money is passed. State in your letter when you order, how many $5 cents, $1, $2, $4, $10 and $20 bills you wish, so that I will know exactly how many of each kind to send. You must be sure to write your letters perfectly tight, and write my name very plainly. I will make the following discounts when large amounts are ordered: For a $400 order the price will be $80, and must inclose $40 with the order, and the other $20 when the money is passed, and for larger orders at the following rates; $400 order for $80; send $12 cash, and $28 when money is passed. $500 order for $95; send $15 cash, and $80 when money is passed. $1,000 order for $170; send $25 cash, and $75 when money is passed. $5,000 order for $600; send $100 cash, and $400 when money is passed; $10,000 order for $1,000; send $200 cash, and $800 when money is passed. When a large amount is sent, I pack it in a box and mark it in such a manner that no one would suspect its being money, and send it by express. Always state when you order how you wish the money sent, and give me the name of your nearest express-office. I will send you a sample package, assorted, on receipt of $5, so you can see how it passes; then you can order a large lot. By all means come at once and see me if possible, and bring all the money you can possibly raise with you, so you will be prepared to buy a large stock, for this may be the last chance you will ever have to make a fortune at a single stroke. I promise to send you back ten times the amount I receive in the best counterfeit money ever issued, or, if you prefer, I will send my money to you C. O. D. by express, and you can pay the money due me to the express agents when he hands you the package. I sew the money up in the lining of a coat, and pack it in many other ways before I ship it, so no one could dream of its being money. I cannot send you less than $500 by express C. O. D., and make the charges $15 on account of the expense of packing and shipping.

This precious document is signed by "Ralph Moynan," a fictitious name, of course. Menager, the greatest criminal in the lot, is under $5,000 to appear before Commissioner Shields, to-morrow, on a charge of sending the circulars through the mails.

Officer John Lyons testified that on the 14th inst. he went to the third floor of No. 566 Broadway. Was knocking for half an hour before the door was opened. Arrested the two prisoners and Hayes. Found four barrels full of the circulars lying around. Large numbers of them were in envelopes, stamped and addressed. Found a box of saw-dust. Prisoners said they did not know who carried on the business. Said they had been employed as copyists.

Officer O'Rorke testified to the facts stated by the previous witness.

The prisoners, in testifying on their own behalf, stated that they had been employed as copyists at $10 per week. They had been ordered not to look at the circulars, and were not aware of their nature.

The jury found them guilty, and Recorder Hackett, in passing sentence, said there was no doubt they had been engaged in an infamous and fraudulent business, by which thousands had been swindled. The sentence of the Court was that they be sent to the County Prison for one year and fined $1,000, the prisoners to stand committed until the fine be paid.

The officials in the District-Attorney's office have been assiduously working at this case, and are determined to prosecute those connected with all such swindling enterprises with vigor.

Vienna Exhibition—Formation and Composition of Juries.

From late dispatches received from Vienna as to the formation of juries, the following are the most important items. Save group No. 24, (objects of art belonging to the past,) all other groups will be examined by an international jury. What is called the Infants' Pavilion, (exhibition of articles adapted to children's use,) and the class shown as female work, have the honor of having ladies included in the jury as experts. The jurors of the kingdoms and provinces represented by the Austrian Reichsrath will be elected, one-half by the exhibitors of each group, and the other half appointed by the Commissioner. For jurors of foreign countries, the commissioners of foreign countries are to nominate, and to send in the names to the chief manager not later than April 15. The total number of jurors will be fixed by the number of exhibitors, in the following proportions: Groups containing from 10 to 100 exhibitors are entitled to one juror, from 101 to 200, two jurors; from 201 to 300, three, and from 301 to 400, four jurors. Substitutes for jurors who are unavoidably absent, all to be appointed under the former rules. Juries are to have the license to increase their number by the appointment of experts, and may have the co-operation of professional persons. Each jury, as soon as constituted, must elect, out of its own number, a chairman, a deputy chairman, and one or more reporters. These chairmen, deputy chairmen, and reporters of the juries of groups will form what is designated a jury-council of the groups. From these a president and two vice-presidents will be appointed by the Archduke. These exhibitors who are commissioned as jurors must renounce any competition as to prizes. Every exhibitor will receive through the commissioner of his own country a list of queries, which he should answer in a complete manner and submit in due time to the Commissioner-in-Chief. The International Jury will commence its particular business on the 16th of June, and will use its best endeavors to have its awards and prizes made by the close of July. The distinctions awarded to exhibitors will be declared on the 18th of August, and will be attached to the objects so distinguished on the day of the award. There will be five medals—for progress, merit, fine arts, taste, and co-operation—and two diplomas, the diploma of honor and the other of merit. Each exhibitor can only obtain one distinction of the same class in one of the branches of industry.

The Dock Commission—Yesterday's Proceedings.

The Commissioners of Docks met yesterday, with John T. Agnew in the chair. Permission was granted to the East River Ferry Company to erect a ladies' waiting-room at their ferry-house, at James-slip. Extension of time to April 15 was granted to the Bridgeport Steamboat Company to repair Pier No. 36½ East River, in accordance with the previous regulations of the board. Permission was denied the New-York and Oswego Midland Railway Company to extend the line of Pier No. 23 East River to the line of Pier No. 21, as asked for by the company. A resolution was passed ordering the owner of the float moored between One Hundred and Twenty-third and One Hundred and Twenty-fourth streets, to remove the same forthwith from the position it now occupies. Messrs. Brookman, owners of the bulkhead between Eighteenth and Nineteenth streets, East River, were notified to have the refuse matter collected thereon removed forthwith, so that the surface of the bulkhead will be at least one foot below the top of the backing piece.

A communication from Isaac Bell, President of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, inquiring as to the right of the department to repair and construct docks, was referred to the usual committee. The petition of the New-Haven Steam-boat Company, asking permission to have the west half of Pier No. 26, East River, rebuilt, and to erect shed on completion of the repairs, was referred to the Executive Committee. The Auditing Committee reported a number of small bills, amounting, in the aggregate, to $3,723 94, for payment, and a resolution ordering the same to be sent to the Controller under protest, was passed. The board then went into executive session.

THE STOCK EXCHANGE.

A Life Insurance Plan Adopted—Its Leading Features.

At the first "call," yesterday morning, President King, of the New-York Stock Exchange, announced that the Governing Committee had adopted the life insurance plan which had been under discussion for some time, and that it would become a law unless two-thirds of the members of the Stock Exchange objected to the decision of the Governing Committee before next Wednesday. This scheme of life insurance is somewhat novel, and seems likely to be adopted by several of the prominent exchanges of the City. The following are the substantial features of the newly-adopted plan for the "provision for the families of deceased members," which is incorporated into the constitution of the Stock Exchange as "Article 28:"

Every member of the New-York Stock Exchange shall be subject to the conditions, and entitled to partake of the benefits of the plan for providing for the families of deceased members hereinafter set forth:

1. Upon the death of any member of the Exchange, there shall be levied and assessed against each surviving member the sum of $10, which shall thereupon become a due from him to the Stock Exchange, and charged against the membership of such surviving member, to be collected as other fines and dues are or may then be collected.

2. The faith of the New-York Stock Exchange is hereby pledged to pay within one year after proof of death of any member, out of the money so collected, the sum of $10,000, or so much thereof as may have been collected, to the persons named in the next section, as therein provided, which money shall be paid as a gratuity from the surviving members of the Exchange, free from all debts, charges, or demands whatever.

3. Should the member die leaving a widow and no children, then the whole sum shall be paid to such widow for her own use.

Should the member die leaving a widow and children, then one-half shall be paid to the widow for her use, and one-half to the children for their use, share and share alike; provided, that the share of minor children shall be paid to their guardian, and that the issue of any deceased child shall be entitled to receive the share which said child would have received if living, if of age directly, or if minors, through his, her, or their guardian or guardians.

Should the member die, leaving neither widow nor children, then the whole sum shall be paid to the legal heirs of the deceased.

In all cases a certified copy of the proceedings before a surrogate or judge of probate shall be accepted as proof of the rights of the claimants, be deemed ample authority for the Exchange to make payment of the money, shall protect the Exchange in so doing, and shall release the Exchange forever from all further claim or liability whatsoever.

4. Nothing herein contained shall ever be taken or construed as a joint liability of the Exchange or its members for the payment of any sum whatever; the liability of each member, at law or in equity, being limited to the payment of $10 on the death of each other member, and the liability of the Exchange being limited to the payment of the sum of $10,000, (or such part thereof as may be collected,) after it shall have been collected from the members, and not otherwise.

5. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as constituting any estate in case which can be mortgaged or pledged for the payment of any debts; but it shall be competent for any member, by agreement of every member of the Stock Exchange, to make a voluntary gift to the family of each deceased member, and of the Exchange to collect and pay over to such family the said voluntary gift; having understood and hereby expressly declared, that the provisions of this article 28 of the constitution shall only be in force in, and apply to, cases of death which shall take place after its adoption.

6. It is hereby made the special duty of, and enjoined upon the Governing Committee of the Exchange, to increase the surplus revenues of the Exchange as far as possible by rigid economy of expenditures, and by increase of receipts, and to appropriate the same, for the purpose of accumulating a fund to be styled the "Gratuity Fund," to be administered and applied as hereinafter directed.

7. Upon the adoption of this article, the governing committee shall proceed to elect five trustees, to be called "Trustees of the Gratuity Fund," who shall immediately after their election draw lots for their respective terms of office, which shall be for one, two, three, four, and five years, and at each annual election of the Stock Exchange, after Jan. 1, 1871, there shall be chosen by ballot a trustee of the Gratuity Fund, to serve for five years; in case of any vacancy occurring, the governing committee shall fill the same until the next annual election, when the Stock Exchange shall choose a trustee for the unexpired term.

It shall be the duty of the trustees of the gratuity fund to keep securely invested, in accordance with the laws of the State of New-York regulating trust funds, all moneys paid to them for the fund, together with the annual interest and accretions arising from the same. They shall elect one of their number chairman, and adopt such by-laws as may be necessary, subject to the approval of the Governing Committee, and they shall make an annual report to the Exchange of the condition of the fund.

As soon after the adoption of this article as the convenience of the treasury will allow, the treasurer of the Stock Exchange shall pay to the trustees of the gratuity fund the sum of $10 for each and every member of the Exchange, and payments to be charged against each member, and collected together with his other dues when they next become payable; and every person who shall become a member of the Exchange after the adoption of this article, shall pay to said trustees the sum of $10 before he shall be admitted to the privilege of membership.

Whenever the income of the Stock Exchange shall exceed its actual current expenses by the sum of $10,000, the surplus shall be divided as follows: Each member shall be credited with his proportion of one-half of the total amount divided, in reduction of his annual dues; the other half shall be paid over to the trustees of the gratuity fund.

Whenever the number of deaths of members of the Exchange shall exceed fifteen in any one year, it shall be the duty of the trustees of the gratuity fund to pay out of the fund to the credit of the surviving members, in reduction of their dues for that year, such sums as may be requisite to limit the total payments of each member for the year to $150 in any one year, provided, however, that, should the fund be exhausted, the liability of each member to make payment in excess of $150 shall not thereby be impaired, but, on the contrary, shall remain in full force.

Whenever the gratuity fund shall amount to $1,000,000 the trustees shall divide the annual income among the members, to be credited in reduction of their annual payments, which will cease.

8. The provisions of this article shall not extend to any member who shall have severed his connection with the Exchange by the sale of his seat, whether the same is made voluntarily or involuntarily, nor to any member who now is, or hereafter may be, expelled by the governing committee, but shall extend to suspended members.

9. The membership of a deceased member from the date of his death until sold, shall be subject to the same assessments under the provisions of this article, as the memberships of surviving members during that period.

Two Straw Bondsmen Convicted—Further Arrests.

Philip Neuman and Walter Develin, alias Patrick Lily, were yesterday placed on trial in the United States Circuit Court, before Judge Benedict and a jury, for what is technically known as presenting a false writing to an officer of the Government. The prisoners are alleged to be straw bondsmen, and both were captured on the 13th February, in the District-Attorney's office, under false circumstances hereto before published in THE TIMES.

Mr. Purdy testified to the facts attending their arrest, and said that his suspicions had been aroused by receiving a note from District-Attorney Phelps cautioning the United States authorities against Philip Neuman as being a straw bondsman.

The defense set up was substantially that no offense had been committed within the meaning of the law, because Develin, or Lily, refused to swear to his affidavit after signing it, becoming frightened, and confessing that his real name was Develin, and that he did not own the property.

The jury promptly found the prisoners guilty, and they were remanded for sentence.

John J. Broderick, William H. Aldrich, and John Schoener were yesterday arrested on complaint of one of Supervisor Hawley's officers, charged with conspiring to defraud the government by procuring the release on fraudulent bail of Simon Dorean, arrested for alleged connection with an illicit distillery at Spring Valley. The accused made affidavits that they owned real property in this City, which affidavits are charged to have been false. The prisoners were taken before United States Commissioner Shields, and admitted to bail in $5,000 each, for an examination.

Court of General Sessions—Another Highway Robber Sentenced.

In the Court of General Sessions, yesterday, before Recorder Hackett, William Graham, indicted for entering the apartments of Anna Layer, No. 142 Norfolk-street, and stealing a watch and chain, pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to the Penitentiary for three months.

John Moloney, a notorious young ruffian, who was tried in January, 1871, for assaulting and robbing a man named Reilly, indicted for brutally assaulting and robbing in broad daylight a young woman named Elida A. Larsen, outside her residence, No. 9 Bastery-place, pleaded guilty to robbery in the first degree, and was sent to State Prison for fifteen years.

Leopold Gustable, colored, charged with assaulting Francis Mailer on the street and robbing him of his watch, pleaded guilty, and was sent to State Prison for four years and six months. Christy Johnson, indicted for stealing a shawl from a carriage, pleaded guilty, and was sent to the Penitentiary for one year. James Foley, charged with appropriating $57 collected by him for John Bidell, piano manufacturer, was sent to State Prison for three years. Philip Heitz, indicted for feloniously assaulting Elizabeth Drum, of No. 508 West Fifty-third-street, pleaded guilty, and was remanded for sentence in order to test his sanity. James Clark pleaded to an attempt at burglary, and was sent to the Penitentiary for two years.

Brooklyn Mortality.

The report of the Brooklyn Health Officer shows that during the week ending March 22, there were 202 deaths in the city, being 3 more than during the previous week, and 63 less than in the corresponding week of last year. There were 2 cases of small-pox, 30 of consumption, 1 suicide, and 1 murder.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Report on the City Prison—The Night Soil Contract.

The Board of Aldermen met at 3 P. M., yesterday, Mr. Vance in the chair.

A resolution was read directing the Controller to lease the upper portion of the building No. 279 Third-avenue, at a rental of $4,000 per year, for the Fourth District Court, which was referred to the Committee on Law.

Mr. Koch offered a preamble and resolution to the effect that as the present system of removing night soil from the City is inefficient, that a return be made to the old system of having the work done by night scavengers and open carts.

Mr. Morris moved to amend by directing that the work shall be done between midnight and daylight.

Mr. Cooper said that an arrangement is now in operation by which the soil is removed without any perceptible odor. To permit its removal in open carts in the daytime would be intolerable.

The amendment was adopted, and the resolution, as amended, was also adopted.

Mr. Morris asked permission to present a report on the Tombs or City Prison as his own, one of the members of the committee being sick, and the other dissenting from it. The following are its leading features: The committee, Mr. Morris says, in compliance with the report of the board, twice visited the City Prison, and on each occasion thoroughly and minutely examined the building. They found it and its appointments in the most cleanly condition. The food, too, was examined, and appeared of a good quality. The committee were accompanied by the chief and assistant engineers of the Bureau of Sewers, who thoroughly examined the drainage and sewerage system of the prison, and found many glaring defects which could not be remedied without a large expenditure of money. The prisoners found no fault with their treatment, and did not experience any evil effects from a residence within its walls. The committee, however, found the accommodation lamentably deficient. The prison was constructed originally with cell accommodation for about 200; now the average number exceeds 500, and large and sometimes four prisoners are confined in one cell. The report then proceeds to point out the effects of this overcrowding in a building with primitive arrangements for lighting and ventilation, and erected on what was originally the centre of a large fresh water pond. The committee were of opinion that a great necessity for a new City Prison existed, and they suggested a site in close proximity to the present. The building should contain ample court accommodations; courtrooms for the District Police Courts, for the Special and General Sessions, and Over and Terminer should be provided. The committee suggests that the sale of the present City Prison in one plot or lots would realize sufficient to purchase another site of greater dimensions on the east side of the City, and leave a balance sufficient to pay for the erection of the intended new building. The committee propose that when the necessary estimates shall have been prepared, and the required amount ascertained, to have bonds issued by the Controller, redeemable in five annual payments, and to apply the proceeds of the sale of the grounds now used as the City Prison to the credit of the Sinking Fund for the Redemption of the City Debt. The bill introduced into the Assembly by Mr. Blackie, entitled "An act to provide for the location and erection of new City prison and place for holding certain courts in the City of New-York meets with the approval of the committee, and they recommend a favorable consideration. This bill contains general provisions for the appointment of commissioners to locate and erect a suitable building, and for the sale and purchase of land for that purpose, and provides for the appointment of Commissioners of Appraisal to value lands, and other buildings, and otherwise legislate for the due erection and completion of the new prison, which it vests in the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New-York.

The report was adopted, and, on motion of Mr. Morris, 500 copies of it were ordered to be printed.

A resolution was read directing the Clerk of the Board to advertise for proposals for printing for the Board of Aldermen, which was laid over.

A communication was received from the Department of Public Parks, stating that the railing round the statue of Abraham Lincoln, in Union-square, will be completed at an early day.

A communication was received from the Controller, asking permission to re-lease the building corner of Houston and Allen streets for a District Court-room, at a rental of $5,000 per annum. The paper was referred to the Committee on Law.

The Board then adjourned to Thursday next.

GEORGE FRANCIS TRAIN.

He Demands a Trial and More Fresh Air.

In pursuance of a writ of habeas corpus and a writ of certiorari, George Francis Train and the record of the proceedings by virtue of which he is imprisoned, were produced before Judge Fancher, in Supreme Court, Chambers, yesterday. In anticipation that the "great sensationalist" would make himself as conspicuous as usual, a large crowd had collected in the court. District-Attorney Phelps, who appeared on behalf of the people, suggested to the Court, that it appearing by the record returned by the Clerk of the Court of Oyer and Terminer, that Train was held under an indictment found in that court, he supposed that was a conclusive answer to the writ. Moreover, that the hearing should be before the Court of Oyer and Terminer.

Hon. Levi S. Chatfield, who appeared for Train, said he did not believe that the mere finding of an indictment was sufficient to deprive a citizen of his liberty, especially if such indictment did not show upon its face that any crime had been committed; that, under such circumstances, any court had a right to relieve him on habeas corpus.

Judge Fancher referred to the rule requiring the returns to such writs to be made to the Oyer and Terminer, when in session, and suggested that that was the proper place for the hearing in this case.

After some further discussion, it was decided to hear the case in the Court of Oyer and Terminer this morning.

Train then asked permission, "as one who had been fourteen weeks in prison," to make a statement; and in an energetic, though rambling way, went on to say that ventilation was needed in the Tombs; that King, Stokes, and Rosenzweig were dying for want of air, without which they would cheat the gallows; that forty persons had died in prison, since his incarceration, for want of air; that this proceeding in court was without his consent, though he esteemed Gen. Chatfield and Mrs. Bishop as his friends; that the lunacy question was a mere hoax, to get him out of jail on bail, and that suit against the District-Attorney for false imprisonment; that they had already taken away his liberty, and now conspired to rob him of man's most-prized treasure, his faculties of mind.

Judge Fancher here reminded Train that he was not speaking to the subject, and all he said was irrelevant; that there was other business awaiting the action of the Court, and Train replied that if his Honor had been fourteen weeks in prison he might, perhaps, postpone the other business a little.

Receiving a smile from the Court, which seemed to indicate approval, Train went on to say that Tweed had paid $6,000,000 to buy up ninety-two newspapers, and that the entire Press was subsidized; that they had sent a madman to howl beneath his cell, and that, sane or insane, he wanted a trial, and would not be forced out of prison without it.

Train then proceeded to read a long printed letter which he said he had sent to Warden Johnson respecting a telegram which he (the speaker) had sent to Gov. Dix to prevent Foster's execution, but which had not been forwarded. After a few sentences, the Court cut him short, and, the proceedings being at an end, Train quickly left the Court with one of the prison attendants, the latter seeming anxious to cut loose from his prisoner rather than hold him in custody. The prisoner was profusely adorned with flowers, and looked as though he had not suffered much by reason of a want of fresh air.

Keepers of Disorderly Houses Held for Trial.

Nellie Clinton, Mary Porter, Hattie Monahan, Josephine Thompson, Kate Williams, Maud Livingstone, Helen McGregor, Nellie Van Lear, Lydia Poole, and Maria Dayton, keepers of disorderly houses in Wooster, Amity, and Greene streets, were held for trial in $500 bail at the Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday. A number of men and women arrested in the houses were required to give $100 bail for future good behavior.

A Disastrous "Pool."

In Supreme Court, Chambers, yesterday, a motion was made in a suit by Earle & Saltonstall, brokers, against George S. Scott and others, for a bill of discovery to obtain from defendants information sufficient to enable plaintiff to frame his complaint. The affidavit read on behalf of plaintiff stated that in May, 1871, a pool was formed between George S. Scott, Frank K. Sturgiss, George Wood, Frank Work, John F. Tracy, Cornelius K. Garrison, William S. Woodward, and other unknown parties, for the purpose of operating in the stock of the Chicago, Rock Island, and Pacific Railroad Company; that Scott was selected by the members of the "pool" to conduct the operations, and he in turn employed George Woodward; that Woodward employed plaintiffs to purchase the stock, which they did to the extent of 41,000 shares; that the defendants refused to take the stock, and plaintiffs paid for 3,000 shares of it, losing $600,000 by the operation. Plaintiffs now desire to get the names of all the parties interested in the "pool" so as to make them party defendants. The motion was opposed on the ground that it was a mere fishing expedition, and not authorized by the code. The Court denied the motion, but with leave to renew on further affidavits.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE....ALBANY, Thursday, March 27, 1873.

The Senate went into Committee of the Whole on the New-York charter.

THE CHARTER.

The first section was adopted.

Mr. Woodin moved to amend the second section by providing for the abolition of the Board of Assistant Aldermen after January, 1874.

Mr. Benedict could not favor cutting short the term of the present board. New-York City was a vast empire in itself, to which all the other cities of the State were mere villages in comparison. No legislation is safe unless guarded by the substantial of a second board. He denied that the Republican Party had declared against the Board of Assistant Aldermen. The voice of that party had not been expressed. No one had ever thought of touching this clause of the Dongan charter until the profane minds of the Committee of Seventy approached it. This committee were the only persons he had heard express a desire to abolish the Board of Assistant Aldermen. No State of the Union outside of New-York and Pennsylvania is so wealthy; nor is there a city whose expenses are so large as those of the City of New-York. Get a little knot of men in any board, and it is an easy matter to form a "ring" for clandestine means. The Board of Assistant Aldermen were all good men, so far as he knew. Nothing had been fixed by caucus otherwise than that "every Senator should vote and act on the charter as he pleased."

Mr. Tremann was in the Board of Assistant Aldermen in 1853. He favored both boards, as they tended to prevent fraud and corruption. The City of New-York extends for twenty miles around, and they wanted a good charter—not a partisan one. He thought that the name of this bill should be "An act to increase the Democratic vote in the State."

Mr. Woodin favored retaining the present Board of Assistant Aldermen until their terms of office expire, next January. There seems to be a difference of opinion as to when the term of the present Board expires, whether in January, 1874 or 1875. He favored printing a clause in the charter, specifying the expiration of the term of office in January, 1874. With reference to continuing the Assistant Board after that date, he thought it best to let it cease at that time, as it was proposed to ingraft the Board of Aldermen to twenty-one. It is claimed here that a check is wanted on the Board of Aldermen. Under the proposed charter the status of any expense on the City requires a three-fourths vote, signature of the Mayor, and the approval of the Board of Apportionment. With all these elements combined in one board, the interests of the tax-payers are amply guarded.

Mr. Lowery said he was opposed to the Board of Assistant Aldermen. He had given the question a great deal of study, and had made endless inquiries to learn the feeling of the people of New-York City on this question, and he found them all in favor of its abolishment. It would save the City $500,000 annually in the matter of gas alone, instead of before the doors of City officers. Over $100,000 will be saved in salaries alone, which now paid to the board. An alderman had informed him that the reforms contemplated could not be carried out if the Board of Assistant Aldermen is not abolished. The Mayor of New-York is a man who will approve a check on any proposed waste.

Mr. Murphy congratulated the Senate that the charter was to be voted upon irrespective of party trammels. What is the object of a Board of Common Council, if not for the protection of the people? If the people it represents, and giving their wishes the force of law? He would rather abolish the Board of Aldermen than the Assistant Board. The greatest interest of the tax-payers is that which upon the expenditures of its officers. It is unfortunate that people who have nothing at stake vote freely for large expenditures. If you have but one board, elected at large, there will be many sections unrepresented. New-York has various varied interests, and he was constrained from a sense of duty to favor a continuance of this popular Board of Assistant Aldermen.

Mr. Woodin moved to further amend the second section by providing that on and after January, 1875, all duties of the present Boards of Common Council, Assistant Aldermen, and Aldermen be vested in the Board of Aldermen.

Mr. Murphy moved to amend by striking out so much as abolishes the Board of Assistant Aldermen. Lost.

Mr. Woodin's amendment was then adopted.

The sections placing the number of the Board of Aldermen at fifteen was stricken out.

The third section, placing the number of Aldermen at twenty-seven, and three for each Senate district, and six at large, was adopted.

The seventh section, providing that the Controller, Commissioner of Public Works, Corporation Counsel, and the president of each department, shall be entitled to seats in the board, to participate in the debate, but not to vote, was adopted. Also all the sections from eighth to twenty-sixth, were adopted.

Mr. Woodin said the twenty-seventh section, relative to the new building, was a very important one, and he commended it to the Senate for their approval or change.

Mr. Lowery offered an amendment vesting the power of nominating all heads of departments in the Mayor. Not agreed to.

Mr. Woodin favored giving the appointing power to the Mayor and the President of the Board of Aldermen. He desired to escape the one-man power. This charter, he thought, would be a long standing one, and appointing power in that City in one party, and he was in favor of putting Republicans in office whenever he could.

Mr. Lowery asked if there was any doubt of the fidelity of Mr. Havemeyer to the Republican Party?

Mr. Woodin replied that he had grave reasons for doubting the soundness of the Mayor's Republican principles.

Mr. Lowery read from old letters of Mayor Opdyke in favor of giving the appointing power to the Mayor.

Mr. Lewis thought if the charter, as proposed, is now before the Senate, it would be the death-knell of the Republican Party. He did not wish to force upon the better classes of the Republicans in New-York City so obnoxious a provision.

The hour of 2 o'clock arriving, the Committee rose and reported progress.

TWEED.

Mr. Lewis said that inasmuch as Mr. Tweed has resigned his seat in the Senate, he desired to call the attention of the Senate to the fact that the duties of the special committee had probably ceased.

Mr. Madden moved to discharge the committee from further investigation of Senator Tweed.

Mr. Johnson read the resolutions under which the committee was appointed.

Mr. Lord said that in justice to his own feelings, as he was a member of the Senate in 1870 and 1871, when Tweed's illegal measure passed, he desired the investigation continued, to see if any members of the Senate were corrupted by said William M. Tweed.

Mr. Madden thought the whole matter should be dropped, and, if necessary, a new committee be appointed to investigate Ollive Tweed.

The committee was then discharged.

Recess until 7 P. M.

ASSEMBLY.

The House went into committee and took up the bill to repeal the Rochester Commission.

Mr. Fish moved a substitute for the bill restoring its original provisions, which were changed by the Committee on Cities. He then proceeded to speak at length in advocacy of the abolition of these commissions.

Mr. Pierson, after referring to the public excitement on this question, called attention to the fact that the bill before the House is not the bill, which is much broader in its scope than appeared on its face. If it was intended to abolish the Board of Public Works that could be accomplished by repealing certain sections only of the charter. He then proceeded to state the operations proceeded with under that act, and also the action of the committee, and the reasons for that action. He examined the effect of the bill proposed to be repealed.

Mr. Lincoln made a long argument in favor of the commissions.

Mr. Wells looked upon this as a local question. The representative from Rochester had been sent here to secure the repeal of these commissions. The issue was made up squarely on this question at the election in Rochester last Fall, and the gentleman was chosen by the people in opposition to all the efforts of a ring, second only to that which plundered the City of New-York; and this ring had been hovering about this Legislature all Winter. The question in his mind, therefore, was whether the Legislature should be the instrument in the hands of the ring to defy the people and ask through their representative. It was, in his mind, a plain and simple question, easily answered.

Mr. Alberger sustained the action of the Committee on Cities, which had investigated and given this matter full and careful consideration, and that the committee was convinced that these commissions should not be abolished.

Mr. Ballu spoke at

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—MARCH 27.

SALES BEFORE THE CALL—10 A. M.

200 Western Union... 86⅛ | 100 Panama... 113⅛
400 do... s5. 86⅛ | 100 do... 113⅝
200 do... 86⅛ | 200 do... 113¾
600 do... 86¼ | 1200 Union Pacific... 35⅛
100 do... s5. 86⅛ | 200 do... c. 35⅜
700 N. Y. C. & Hud... 102⅞ | 400 do... s3. 35⅝
100 do... 102⅞ | 700 do... 35⅛
200 do... c. 103⅛ | 600 Rock Island... 115
200 Pacific Mail... c. 57⅛ | 200 do... 115¾
900 do... 57¼ | 100 St. Paul... 57⅞
600 do... c. 57¼ | 200 do... 57¾
100 do... c. 57⅛ | 100 do... 57⅞
300 do... c. 57⅛ | 1700 do... 58
1200 do... 57 | 900 do... 57⅞
300 do... 56⅛ | 100 do... b5. 58
300 do... c. 56⅛ | 800 do... s3. 57⅝
500 Erie Railroad... 65⅛ | 100 Tol. & Wab... 72⅜
400 do... 65⅛ | 400 do... 72⅝
200 do... s5. 65 | 300 Ohio & Miss... 45⅝
200 do... c. 63 | 200 do... c. 45⅜
300 do... 64⅝ | 300 do... 45⅛
5 Lake Shore... 93⅞ | 300 do... c. 45⅛
100 do... 93¾ | 700 Ros., H. Erie... 2
200 do... 93⅝ | 100 do... 2⅛
200 do... 93⅜ | 900 Cl., C. & I. C... 40⅝
100 do... b3. 93⅛ | 200 do... b3. 40¾
100 do... c. 93⅛ | 100 do... c. 40¾
400 do... 93⅛ | 100 do... 40
400 do... 93⅛ | 500 do... 39⅝
200 Harlem... 126 | 100 do... b10. 40

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—12¾ A. M.

$3,000 U. S. 6s, '67... 120½ | $14,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '67... 113⅞
4,000 do... 120⅜ | 1,300 do... 113⅝
5,500 U. S. 5-20 R., '67... 118¼ | 50,000 U. S. 10-40 C... 111⅞
500 U. S. 5-20 C., '64... 117¼ | 14,000 U. S. 10-40 R... 112
6,500 U. S. 5-20 C., '65, new... c. 118¾ | 50,000 U. S. 5s, '81... 103¼

SALES BEFORE THE CALL—12¾ P. M.

200 Western Union... 86¼ | 500 Union Pacific... 35⅜
300 N. Y. C. & H... b5. 102¾ | 200 Rock Island... 115¼
100 do... 102¾ | 100 do... c. 115¼
200 Pacific Mail... 57⅛ | 200 Toledo & Wabash... 72⅜
200 do... 57⅜ | 100 do... 72⅝
200 do... 57⅝ | 100 do... s3. 73
100 Harlem Railroad... 126⅛ | 700 do... 73⅛
200 Lake Shore... 93⅜ | 100 do... 73¼
100 do... 93⅝ | 200 do... b5. 73⅜
200 do... s3. 93⅝ | 100 do... b5. 59
200 Panama Railroad... 112½ | 300 Ros., H. & E... 3
200 Ohio & Miss... 45¼ | 200 do... 3

SECOND BOARD—1 P. M.

$16,000 Tenn. 6s, old... 80 | 30 Ill. Cent... b. c., s3. 118⅛
6,000 do... 80⅛ | 100 do... 118⅜
10,000 Va. 6s, Cons... 56 | 200 L. S. & M. S... b. c. 93⅜
5,000 S. C. 6s, new, Jan and July... 17⅜ | 100 do... c. 93¾
2,000 Mo. 6s... 93⅛ | 300 do... 93¾
1,000 do... 93½ | 50 C., Cin. C. & Ind... 87⅛
4,000 U. P. 7s, L. G... 79⅛ | 100 do... 87⅜
1,000 U. P. R. 1st M... 89⅝ | 100 do... b. c. 87⅜
1,000 do... 89⅝ | 100 Chic. & R. I... b. c. 115⅛
2,000 Den. & R. G. 1st... 85 | 100 do... 115¼
1,000 Den. Pac. G. R... 83⅛ | 200 Mil. & St. P... b. c. 83
1,000 U. Pac. 1st... 86⅛ | 600 do... 83⅜
2,000 U. Pac. 7s, L. G... 79⅝ | 100 do... 83⅝
2,000 Atl. & P. 1st M... 101 | 100 L. S. & M. S... b. c. 93¾
4,000 Tol. & Wab. 1st... 93½ | 200 do... s3. 93⅝
2,000 Chic. R. I. & P... 103⅝ | 700 do... 93¾
2,000 Morris & Es. M... 98 | 400 do... b5. 94
2,000 N. J. Cen. 1st... 104 | 600 do... 93⅝
2,000 C., C. & I. C. 1st... 91½ | 200 do... 93¾
3,000 Nash. & De. 1st... 88⅛ | 200 Un. Pac... b. c. 35⅛
4,000 W. U. T. 7s... b. c. 100 | 200 do... 35⅜
3,000 Harlem 1st... c. 102⅜ | 27 New Jersey Cent. 100
1,000 N. Y. & H. 1st M... 131⅛ | 2200 C. & R. I. & P... 103⅛
20 St. Nicholas Bk... 110½ | 200 T., W. & W... b. c. 72⅝
500 W. U. T... b. c., c. 86⅛ | 200 do... b5. 73
100 do... 86⅜ | 14 Chicago & Alton... 118¼
50 do... c. 86⅜ | 100 Morris & Essex... 91⅛
100 do... 86⅜ | 100 N. & S. P. Pf... b. c. 75⅝
1000 do... 86⅛ | 400 B., H. & E... b. c., b4. 3⅛
1000 do... 86⅛ | 500 do... 3
1000 do... s3. 86⅛ | 100 New Jersey So... 27
1000 do... 87 | 100 Market & C. 1st Pf... 54
1000 do... 87⅛ | 200 Mil. & St. P... b. c. 83⅞
200 do... c. 86⅛ | 400 do... b3. 58
200 do... 86⅛ | 100 do... b4. 58
100 do... 86⅛ | 100 do... 58
100 do... 86⅜ | 100 do... 58⅛
100 do... 86⅜ | 100 do... 58
1000 Del. & H. Canal... 117⅜ | 300 do... 58⅛
100 do... b5. 117 | 200 do... 58⅜
100 U. S. Express... 74½ | 900 do... 58⅝
100 do... 74⅝ | 100 do... 58⅜
25 American Express... 100 | 100 do... 58⅜
200 Adams Express... 95⅛ | 300 do... 58⅜
100 Pacific Mail... 58⅜ | 200 do... 58⅜
200 do... b. c. 58⅜ | 100 do... b3. 58⅜
200 do... 57 | 500 do... 58⅜
100 do... 57⅜ | 100 Ohio & Miss... b. c. 45⅛
200 do... s2. 57⅜ | 100 do... 45⅜
200 do... 57⅛ | 100 C., C. & I. C... 40⅜
100 do... 57⅛ | 100 do... b. c. 39⅞
200 do... 57⅛ | 100 do... 39⅞
100 do... b30. 56⅝ | 1400 do... 39⅝
100 do... 57⅛ | 200 do... 39⅝
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1600 Erie Railway... 64⅜ | 100 Pac. R. of Mo... 82
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400 do... 64⅜ | 400 do... 73⅜
300 do... s5. 65⅛ | 100 do... b10. 73⅛
800 do... 65⅜ | 1000 Ohio & Miss R... 45⅝
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300 Lake Shore R... 93⅜ | 300 do... 45⅛
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THURSDAY, March 27—P. M.

Messrs. Jay Cooke & Co. took the $1,500,000 Gold offered by the Treasury to-day at 116.33 ₱ cent. This is the highest figure paid since the Franco-German War in the Summer of 1870. The gross bidding for the Treasury Gold amounted to $5,565,000 at 115.27 to 116.33 ₱ cent. The sales in the open market before the award were at 116¼@116⅜ ₱ cent. The sales after the award were at 116⅛@116⅜ ₱ cent. The *Bulls* in the Gold Room seemed quite confident of a still higher price, but the course of the Exchange on London scarcely responded to the Gold speculation. The 60 days' rate was 108½@108⅝; Demand Bills, 109¼@109½; Cable transfers, 109¾ ₱ cent. There was only a moderate business done in Bills, as there is no mail steamer to sail on Friday. The settlements of London Credits yesterday are reported large on the basis of 109¼ ₱ cent. for sight Exchange.

The English and American Funds are steady in London to-day, after the advance of Interest by the Bank of England yesterday. If anything, the rates are a fraction better.

Money was again very dear to the Stock Brokers to-day, the prevailing terms being equal to 2 ₱ cent. per month. The Stock Exchange borrowers paid the rate to carry over their Stocks, with apparent confidence in early relief, but the new business done on speculation on the Share list was quite as evidently restrained by this continued dearness of Money. The Common Stock of the St. Paul Road showed exceptional firmness. The other Roads and Pacific Mail and Western Telegraph were fairly supported, and the Southern State Bonds and Railway Mortgages were slightly better than yesterday. The Public Funds of the United States continued strong, and the Coupon Bonds dealt in abroad were a fraction dearer, in sympathy with Gold and Exchange.

At the close of business in the Afternoon, Gold was steady at 116⅛@116⅜ ₱ cent. The purchase of $1,500,000 of the Treasury at 116.33 ₱ cent., at noon, by a leading house connected with the Government Finances, was not without its influence on the market. The Foreign Exchanges were partially weak at the quotations above noted, and there is not a large business doing in 60 days' London. The settlements falling due on credits heretofore loaned are made on the basis of the sight or demand rate of Exchange, and are at 109¼ to 109⅜ ₱ cent.

In the Public Funds the highest prices of the week are marked this Afternoon. The 1867s 5-20s are 118⅜@118½ ₱ cent. The Coupons 1881s are 120¾.

On the Share speculation there is a fair measure of firmness considering the extravagant price of Money to the Brokers. The St. Paul movement nearly touched 60 ₱ cent. Pacific Mail was in some favor.

Closing Quotations—MARCH 27.

	Wednesday.	Thursday.
United States New 5s	115½	114¾
U. S. 5-20s, May and November	118	118¼
U. S. 5-20s, January and July	118½	118⅜
American Gold	116	116⅜
Bills on London, 60 days	108½	108½
N. Y. Central and Hudson	102½	102½
Chicago and Rock Island	115	115⅛
Pacific Mail	57⅛	57⅛
St. Paul Preferred	75½	76¼
St. Paul Common	57⅜	59½
Ohio and Mississippi	45¼	45⅞
Western Union Telegraph	86¼	86⅜
Erie	65¼	65½
Union Pacific	35¼	35⅜
Lake Shore	93½	93⅝
C., C. and Indiana Central	40	39½
Toledo and Wabash	72¼	73½
Atlantic and Pacific	29	29
Harlem	135½	135½

UNITED STATES TREASURY, NEW-YORK, March 27, 1873.

Gold receipts	$35,662 02
Gold payments	127,734 33
Gold balance	40,802,948 89
Currency receipts	276,754 86
Currency payments	479,447 59
Currency balance	16,756,224 13
Customs	561,000 00

The last prices for the various Public Funds of the United States are as follows:

6 ₱ cent., reg., '81... 118
6 ₱ cent. coup., '81... 120¾
5-20 reg., '62... 117⅝
5-20 coup., '62... 117¾
5-20 reg., '64... 117⅝
5-20 coup., '64... 117⅞
5-20 reg., '65... 117⅞
5-20 coup., '65... 118¼
5-20 reg., n. i., '65... 116¾
5-20 coup., n. i., '65... 116¾
5-20 reg., '67... 116¾
5-20 coup., '67... 118⅜
5-20 reg., '68... 116¾
5-20 coup., '68... 118⅜
10-40 reg... 112
10-40 coup... 113¼
5s coup., '81... 114⅜
6s currency... 114¾

The following bids were made at the Exchange Board to-day for the Railroad Mortgages:

N. Y. Cen. 6s, '87	92	Del., Lack. & W. 2d	97
N. Y. Cen. 6s, R. Est.	90	Tol. & W. 1st Ex	95¼
N. Y. Cen. 6s, Sub	90	T. & W. 1st, S. Liby	89¾
N. Y. Cen. 7s, '76	99¼	Tol. & W. 2d	93⅜
Erie 1st Ex	102¾	Tol. & W. South. 6s	83
Erie 1st 7s	99	Tol. & W. Cons. Conv	87
Erie 2d 7s, '78	100	Han. & N. 1st	87
Erie 4th 7s, '80	101¼	Gt. West. 1st, '88	94⅛
Erie 5th 7s, '85	100	Gt. West. 2d, '93	89
Erie 6th 7s, M. 1s	97¼	Gt. & Tol. 1st, '90	91
B., N. Y. & E. 1st 7s, '77	94	Gal. & Chic. Ex	101¾
Long Dock bds	95¾	Gal. & Chic. 7s	98¾
Hud. 7s, 2d, S. F., '86	104	Chic., R. I., & Pac	103⅜
Hud. 7s, M.	104	Mor. & Essex 1st	106
Harlem 1st 7s	102½	Mor. & Essex 2d	98
Harlem Con. & S. F. 6s	90	N. J. Cen. 1st, new	103¾
Alb. & Susq. 2d bds	99	N. J. So. 1st, 7s	76
Alb. & Susq. M. bds	97¼	P., Ft. W. & C. 1st, '81	104
Mich. Cen. 1st 8s, '82	115	P., Ft. W. & Ch. 2d	99
Mich. So. 7s, 2d	100	P., Ft. W. & Ch. 3d	95¾
Mich. So. & N. I. S. F. 7s	106	P., Ft. W. & C. S. P. C. R.	99
Cleve. & Tol. 7s	101	Cleve. & P. 2d	93¾
Cleve. & Tol. n. bds	96	Cleve. & P. 5th	85
Cleve., P. & Ash. c. bds	98	Chic. & Alton 1st	103
Cleve., P. & Ash. n. bds	96¾	Chic. & Alton 2d	96
Det., M. & Tol. bds	96¼	Chic. & Alton Sterling	90
Lake Shore Div. bds	96¼	Ohio & M. Con. S. F.	93
Pac. 7s, guar. by Mo.	90	Ohio & Miss. 2d	88¾
Cen. Pac. Gold bds	103¼	Penn. 1st Con	90
West. Pacific bds	93¾	St. L. & Iron M. 1st	98
Union Pac. 1st bds	87½	M. & S. E. 1st, s. f.	106
Union Pac. L. G. 7s	79¾	M. & S. P. 1st M. & L. G.	86
Union Pac. Inc. 10s	76¼	Chic. & Mil. 1st	94¾
Alton & T. H. 1st	101	Joliet and Chic. 1st	104
Alton & T. H. 2d Inc.	81½	Chic. C. & L. G. bds	91
Chic. & N. W. S. F.	99	Col., C. & I. C. 2d	73½
Chic. & N. W. Int. bs	96	Tol., P. & War., R. D.	91
Chic. & N. W. Con. bds	90¾	Tol., P. & War., Bur. D.	85½
Chic. & N. W. Ex. bs	89½	B., H. & Erie 1st 7s	40
Chic. & N. W. 1st	90¼	C. Falls & Minn. 1st	90
Han. & St. Jo. L. G.	101⅛	B., C. R. & M. 1st 7s, g'ar.	90
Del., Lack. & W. 1st	102¾		

PHILADELPHIA STOCKS—MARCH 27.

Telegraphed to Messrs. E. D. Randolph & Co.

	Bid.	Asked.
City 6s, old	97	
City 6s, new	101¾	101¾
Camden and Amboy	119½	
Pennsylvania Central	58¾	58⅝
Reading	114¾	115
Lehigh Valley	59¾	59¾
Catawissa Preferred	44	44
Philadelphia and Erie	25½	26
North Pennsylvania	37¾	38¼
Lehigh Navigation	37½	37½
Lehigh Gold Loan	90¾	90¾

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LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDARS—THIS DAY.

COURT OF APPEALS—NEW-YORK, March 27.—The following is the Court of Appeals day Calendar for Friday, March 28: Nos. 41, 4s, 24, 54, 55, 56, 37, 38.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—In Admiralty.—ex. Brown vs. Soud; 42, Johnson et al. vs. Steam-tug U. S. Grant; 55, Graham vs. Bark New-York; 22, Ahrens vs. Miller; 20, Tompkins vs. Steam-boat Syracuse; 23, Rees vs. Schooner S. T. King; 34, Baker et al. vs. Ship Chillian Wallah; 78, Nickerson vs. Steam-tug Echo.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT.—Part I.—Held by Barrett, J.—Court opens at 10½ A. M.—Short causes.—1759, Frisbie et al. vs. Fitzsimmons et al.; 1511, Guiteau vs. Bair: 1713, Langley et al. vs. Minsheimer et al.; 1825, Capers et al. vs. Dreyer; 1771, Lee et al. vs. Garr et al.; 1779, Knapp, Receiver, vs. Burke; 1807, Marine National Bank vs. Sebedell; 1787, Phelan et al. vs. McGovern; 1805, Carman vs. McKenna; 1803, Baker vs. Benjamin; 1808, Harrington et al. vs. Hall; 2051, Gawtry vs. New-England Mutual Life Insurance Company; 2053, Security Bank of New-York vs. Eames; 1747, Tull vs. Kenny; 1825, Osborne vs. Evers; 1882, Stone et al. vs. Hawley; 1877, Austen vs. Doane; 2035, Stewart vs. Morgan; 2143, Doritz vs. Van Horn; 2189, Townsend et al. vs. Auten; 2203, Oakley vs. Schuster; 2206, Bickel vs. Hickey; 2211, Taylor vs. Hotchkiss; 2215, Fall Brook Coal Company vs. Bass et al.; 2297, Carpenter vs. Bean.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—Part II.—Held by Van Brunt, J.—Court opens at 10½ A. M.—Short causes—1794, The Ocean Steam Navigation Company vs. Dundardale; 2068, Hunt, Executrix, vs. Lippincott; 1068, Nusabaum et al. vs. Oppenheimer; 1926, Gardner vs. Mortimer, Administrator; 1884, Grovesteen et al. vs. Davis et al.; 1923, Fox et al. vs. Marx, impleaded; 1942, Rosenheimer vs. Guggenheimer; 1966, Stout vs. Hayes, impleaded; 2012, Bonx et al. vs. Dwyer; 2050, Soper vs. The New-England Mutual Life Insurance Company; 2136, The Bowery National Bank vs. Fineke; 2230, Pitch vs. Rider et al.; 2238, Mayer et al. vs. Schwab; 2308, Dodge vs. Schiesfer; 2248, Kane vs. The Mayor, &c.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—Held by Fancher, J.—Court Opens at 10 A. M.—Calendar called at 12 M.—107, Lockwood vs. Green; 137, Livingston et al. vs. Winter et al.; 145, Jessup vs. Hobsteld et al.; 148, Same vs. Same; 158, In the matter of The Baltic Fire Insurance Company; 1485, Long Island Railroad Company; 167, Union Dime Savings Institution vs. Oeley; 171, Goodridge vs. Lane; 176, Oswego Falls Brown Stone Quarry vs. Fitch; 202, Allen et al. vs. Crosley et al.; 204, Same vs. Same; 205, Rosenbaum vs. Muller vs. Green; 246, Gudet vs. Green. Call—249, Wells vs. Goetchius et al.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM—Part I.—Held by Barbour, C. J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.—Short Causes.—2191, King vs. Hennessey; 2273, Moses vs. McKeon; 2414, The Harlem Bank vs. Murr; 2288, Hinckley vs. Kreits; 2476, Benton vs. Schlafer; 2281, Carlan vs. Bough; 2202, Burzhaiter vs. McElroy; 2461, Parsons vs. Brown; 2462, The Valley Paper Company vs. Brown; 2129, Hayes vs. Bishop; 2167, Cayser vs. De Camp.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM—Part II.—Held by Sedgwick, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.—Case on. No other cause will be tried this term.

COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM—Part I.—Held by Larremore, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.—One-hour causes—Causes marked ready—February Term—2958, Gambling vs. Jones; 1752, Scooler vs. Stebbins; 2475, Veimester vs. Van; 2476, Baker vs. Frey; 2606, Loughran vs. Wood et al.; 3011, Hall vs. Griffin; 1922, Fisher vs. Craftsman Life Assurance Company. Off Term causes—2927, Johnson vs. Vanderlip; 2999, Frissell vs. Fearing; 1715, Schaefer vs. Frank; 2073, Deuel vs. Weston; 2276, Cutter vs. Fitch; 2334, Rowland vs. Ryder. Off Term Causes—February Term—2062, Shimmel vs. The Erie Railway Company; 2081, Phelps vs. Perkins; 3044, De Zeng vs. The Same, &c.; 2091, New-York College of Veterinary Surgeons vs. Cantel; 2970, Wendell vs. Starbier; 2205, Phelps vs. Byrne; 3185, Adee vs. Funk; 3090, Hirsch. Executor, vs. Friedenthal; 2181, Pinney vs. Nagel et al., 2786, Doll vs. Towers; 3162, Hines vs. Racey; 2912, Lawrence vs. Schlaefer; 3179, Hall vs. Billing; 3163, Schloemer vs. Block; 3202, Abernethy vs. Hanburg; 2946, Solomon vs. Seymour; 2972, Havens vs. Wilson; 3005, Starr et al. vs. Van Valkenburgh; 3178, Schuyler vs. Fleix; 3190, Dennett vs. Decker; 3197, Vyse, Jr. vs. Sears; 3189, Rosenberg vs. Sellenger; 3020, Crane vs. Westcott et al.; 3199, Pippe vs. Mitnacht; 3204, Goelet vs. Corwin; 2943, Hand vs. Morrill et al.; 2340, Sonneborn vs. Raub; 3027, Powell vs. Berthelot. 2986, Rimer vs. Fleischl; 3028, Maclay vs. Decker; 3046, Grundheer vs. Dorner; 2303, Carrol et al. vs. Greer; 3019, Wright vs. Sherman; 2736, Pollon vs. Hancox; 2859, Lewis, Jr., vs. Lakey; 3045, The Pacific Railroad vs. Gerson; 2883, Falconer vs. Cook; 3023, Loughran vs. Reed; March orders—2442, Strause vs. Chamberlain; 1981, Berghaus vs. Lewis; 3189, Gambling vs. Haight; 2782, Angus vs. Winters; 2825, Hazard vs. Donnelly; 3161, Fitch vs. Rider et al.; 2864, Fleischmann vs. Seaward. Off Term Causes—February Term—1511, Cole vs. McIntyre; 2315, Faille vs. Barry; 2650, The Burleigh Drill Company vs. Gordon; 2670, Martinez vs. Stewart; 2630, Bond vs. Knox; 2686, Van Steenbergh vs. Tucker; 2305, Hoehn vs. Wasseman; 3084, Lenihan vs. Garvey; 2831, Burke vs. Rooney; 2832, Same vs. Same; 3107, Taggard vs. Steinfeld; 2980, Rivers vs. Rivers; 2970, Wendell vs. Stauhler; 2792, Siefert vs. Kentle; 2861, Kenchardt vs. Egan; 3013, Finchwanger vs. McEvery.

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM—Part I.—Held by Gross, J.—Court opens and Calendar called at 10 A. M.—1578, Stewart vs. Wilkinson; 1936, Genin vs. Book; 1887, Gibbs vs. Bent; 1719, Halstead vs. Redmond; 2192, Blum vs. Strassner; 1792, Meyer vs. Strauss; 1184, Bennett vs. Zuick; 1616, Harrison vs. Garcia; 1796, Ferris vs. Amermann; 1766, Vache vs. Heilman; 1562, Jacobsmeyer vs. Michelsen et al., Richaock vs. Isaacs; 1910, Barke vs. Coar; 1812, Bauer vs. Verriloet; 1814, Kennedy vs. Chase; 1576, Hart vs. Russell.

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM—Part II.—Held by Curtis, J.—Court opens and Calendar called at 10 A. M.—1987, Carter vs. Wardell; 1485, Covie vs. Young; 1749, Nixon vs. Brickredel; 1779, Shattuck vs. McGrath; 1643, Crowley vs. Messer; 1535, Marx vs. Fiesler; 1757, Zeimmermann vs. Brensell; 1610, Demarest vs. Yale; 1656, Taylor vs. Schneider; 1597, Otet vs. Silber; 1678, Aaron vs. Brennan; 1191, Carleton vs. Blood; 1793, Smith vs. Schwab; 1797, Patzaner vs. Schuster; 1799, Boyd vs. Seger.

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM—Part III.—Held by Howland, J.—Court opens and Calendar called at 10 A. M.—2002, Kelly vs. Schinhart.

COURT OF OYER AND TERMINER—Held by Brady, J.—John Smith, John Tuiley, robbery; John McAuley, larceny from the person.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSION—Held by Hackett, Recorder—Patrick Daly, felonous assault and battery; William Hopkins, Charles Gamm, John Sullivan, Patrick McGeary, Annie Johnson, John Winman, Lewis Marks, Jeremiah O'Rourke, William Manning, James Crawford, John Haines, grand larceny, Peter Connors, larceny from the person, Jonas Lindeman, receiving stolen property; Frances Herman, concealed weapons; Frederick W. Erickson, concealed weapons; James Hubbard, James McEnes, misdemeanor.

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

By Judge Fancher.

Hill vs. Shelling et al.; report of referee confirmed and order for execution of mortgages and payment of moneys settled.

Shepherd vs. Shipbien; reference ordered.

Churchill vs. Kirwin et al.; judgment granted.

In the matter of the Union-square National Bank; reference ordered.

Colender et al. vs. Phelan et al.; judgment of partition ordered, and commissioners of partition appointed.

Giney vs. Buddensiek; reference ordered to report.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—MARCH 27.

By Judge Van Vorst.

Hart vs. Bowzeki; motion granted on payment of costs of opposing motion.

Prouty vs. Swift; order that judgment of Court of Appeals be made the judgment of this Court.

McCall vs. Sun Mutual Insurance Company; order for commission.

Smith vs. The Commonwealth Fire Insurance Company; order for allowance to plaintiff of five per cent. on amount of recovery. Smith vs. Baltic Fire Insurance Company; same order.

Hilyer et al. vs. Oxenham; order granted.

Estes vs. Burns; order denying motion, with costs.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM—MARCH 27.

By Judge J. F. Daly.

Sands vs. Johnson; motion denied.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—PART I.—MARCH 27.

CONCLUSION OF A LARGE COTTON CASE.

Voorhis & Gardner vs. The New-York Warehouse and Security Company.—This was an action to recover the value of 228 bales of cotton, sold to Biddle & Co., and by them pledged to the defendants for an advance of $44,000. Plaintiffs presented their bill for payment in the usual course of business, but Biddle & Co. had failed, and defendants had possession of the property. Plaintiffs thereupon sue the defendants to recover the value of the cotton on the ground that it was not obtained according to the regular course of business, and that they were not bona fide holders. A case involving the same issues, and growing out of the same transaction, was tried some time since in the Court of Common Pleas, and the facts fully reported in THE TIMES, but the jury disagreed. After the testimony was in on the [illegible] bona fide holders for value, and directed a verdict in their favor.

Barlow, Laroque & McFarland for plaintiffs; Evarts, Southmayd & Choate for defendants.

Popular Catch-Words and Phrases.

From the Mobile Register.

One of the most extraordinary peculiarities associated with that wonder, the American public, is its disposition to catch up and amuse itself with an unlimited number of meaningless words and phrases. No people have ever "held us a candle" in that particular. The American is invariably known abroad by his catch-words—they seem to enter as naturally into his plan of communicating thought as does the figure of speech into that of the American Indian. A catch-phrase is not usually a thing of very long life—it generally runs its course in a few years at most. Looking back over a little more than the third of a century, we are able to call up many that sprung into existence, took a national run, and then went out of the popular mind. About the first on our list stands "Take your time, Miss Lucy." This grew into such immense popularity that the poet was induced to saddle it up as the pack-horse for a silly song about Miss Lucy, and Miss Long, and the baby, and all that sort of thing, and the song went like wildfire. "Can't come it, Mattie!" followed the above, perhaps; and, although not positive, we believe this originated in a Presidential campaign—the "Mattie" mentioned being Martin Van Buren. Then came "Lots and gobs, Peter," "Pick the flint and try it again!" "All but that, old 'um!" and "How are you off for soap?" The last-named was finally changed to "Why, how are ye!" and used as a kind of interjection in expression of surprise or doubt. Within the past quarter century we have had catch-words and phrases in rapid succession. Among the earliest and most popular in that time was, "Does your mother know you are out?" Then followed "Saw my leg off!" "Go ahead or burst the boiler!" "Blow your horn, Gabriel!" "Bully for you!" and so on down to "Shoo fly, don't bodder me!" and "You know how 'tis yourself!"

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Senator MADDEN gave an instructive insight yesterday evening into the despicable meanness of the motives which a certain class of legislators recognize as guides of public policy. He thought the newspaper opposition to some points of the new charter could be explained from the fact that it cut off a portion of the Corporation advertising. The Senator from the Tenth District is probably not aware that the public advertising of this City has already been cut down to its minimum point, and that THE TIMES has steadily labored for three years past to bring about this result. There may probably be enough money left in a year's Corporation advertising to purchase the vote of a legislator of the Madden type. There certainly is not enough to induce the most impecunious and most obscure of newspapers to swerve a hair-breadth out of a given line of policy to secure it. If Mr. MADDEN will introduce an amendment to the charter providing that not a dollar of public money shall ever be expended for City advertising, he can calculate on the support of THE TIMES at least, and will establish a claim to be considered as something better than the reckless and ignorant gabbler which he has so frequently proved himself to be.

As the members of the State Senate are evidently careful readers of THE TIMES, it is almost unnecessary to invite their attention to the letter of Mr. DORMAN B. EATON, in which sundry important defects of the new charter are sharply criticised. We trust they will give special heed to his remonstrance in regard to the loose construction of Section 108. If there is a possibility of interpreting that clause, so that the proportion of the real estate of clergymen, exempted from taxation in every other part of the State, should not be exempted in this City, the phraseology of the section should be promptly amended. As Mr. EATON remarks, it would be a fatal blunder for Republicans to forget, amid the claims of partisan legislation, the recognized rights of "charity, benevolence, and religion."

The Brooklyn detectives have stumbled across a woman who appears to know something of the murder of Mr. GOODRICH, if not to have actually participated in it. In another column will be found a full report of the queries addressed by Chief CAMPBELL to the suspected woman. His line of examination was, to put it mildly, somewhat extraordinary, and rather more suggestive of the police methods of France than of those generally recognized in the United States. If the woman is regarded as an important witness, the queries may have been perfectly legitimate; if she is considered a prisoner under the grave accusation of murder, the questions were grossly out of place.

There has been another renunciation of rights among the pretenders to the throne of Spain. The history of the Carlist branch of the Spanish Bourbons has been for the last thirty years little more than a series of solemn abdications of a throne which none of them have ever occupied. The first Don CARLOS, *i. e.* of the modern line, was the brother of FERDINAND VII., and from the celebrated will of that monarch, dated June 12, 1830, changing the succession to the female line, begin the Carlist pretensions to the throne of Spain. In 1845, the first Don CARLOS renounced his rights to the throne in favor of his son, Don CARLOS LOUIS, Count of Montemolin. On the death of the latter, in 1861, the claims of the family were taken up by his brother Don JOHN CARLOS, who, in turn, ceded his rights, in 1868, to his son Don CARLOS, who now, at the age of twenty-five, renounces his rights in favor of his son Don JAMES CARLOS, a child three years old. Historically speaking, the first Don CARLOS was the son of PHILLIP II., and the hero of SCHILLER'S well-known drama. Reckoning from him, the Don CARLOS who now occupies a visionary throne under the tutelage of a suppositious Regent ought to be called Don CARLOS VI. If he should ever wear the Spanish crown, it will be under the title of CHARLES IX.

At every turn of the civil and criminal suits against the Ring, the New-York *Tribune* finds occasion to perpetrate some piece of stupid and malignant misrepresentation. Its latest effort in this direction is a paragraph containing the following misstatements: "The Ingersoll decision will eventually be accepted as the conclusion of all the Ring suits." This is about as correct as that other assertion of the *Tribune*, that the jury's disagreement in the case of TWEED ended his case for all time coming. "The State is declared not to be a plaintiff." There is no such declaration in all Judge HARDEN'S decision, and if there were, it must be affirmed by the General Term and the Court of Appeals before it can in the slightest degree affect these prosecutions. The General Term of the Third District has already decided that the State is not only a plaintiff, but *the* plaintiff. "The County will be given a chance to institute proceedings, but every one knows that such suit in New-York County will be in vain." The County instituted proceedings long ago, and its legal representative is now in perfect accord with the Attorney-General. So far from "everybody" knowing that action in New-York County will be in vain, that knowledge is entirely confined to the *Tribune*. The people's suits are on the calendar of the Supreme Court of this County, and if the *Tribune* thinks that its friend TWEED will be safe in the hands of Judge DAVIS, or BARRETT or FANCHER, or any possible majority of our General Term, it will be rudely undeceived. "Practically it, (the Ingersoll decision,) will convince the Attorney-General that he has nothing to do with the criminal suits, and cause the District-Attorney to hesitate." This assumption is simply idiotic, and is quite an appropriate conclusion for seventeen lines crammed full of evidences of crass ignorance or worse.

The Charter Contest in the Senate.

It must be admitted that the Senate has not thus far displayed a spirit in connection with the charter which is in entire unison with the prevailing sentiment in this City. It seems to be conceded that the indefensible method of appointments reported by the committee must be abandoned in the end, but the substitute which is said to have found favor in the caucus of Republican Senators is no better. To the extent that it proposes to give the appointments to the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the Board of Aldermen, it is in entire accord with the popular demand, but in going beyond this, and proposing to retain certain heads of departments in office, it cannot be defended. Such an arrangement as this is palpably in the interests not of a party, but of individuals in a party, and Senators, who were chosen to serve the people, cannot complain when they are condemned if they choose to serve particular persons instead.

The proposition to retain some of the heads of departments was in the charter when it was first introduced in the Assembly, and the discussion which it provoked at that time was such as to array public feeling against it to an extent that it became wholly untenable. This feeling has not changed, and popular sentiment demands that every person holding an appointive office shall be displaced, leaving the appointing power, which will be responsible for the good government of the City, free to select its own instruments. If any of the present incumbents are necessary to the proper administration of affairs, it is reasonable to infer that they will be reappointed, but grave doubts are cast upon their fitness for public trusts when a Legislature descends to such means to keep them in place. If these incumbents have themselves incited the Senate to the action which is said to be proposed, they have given a most conclusive reason for their removal. We are aware that the Senate has not yet decided upon retaining any heads of departments, and they have still an opportunity to satisfy public opinion by removing all.

But there is not much encouragement to hope that the Senate will be equal to the task of doing right. In considering the question of the retention of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, yesterday, Mr. WOODIN gave unanswerable reasons why this board should be abolished, and Mr. WEISMANN stated that he had made numerous inquiries in the City without finding anybody who was in favor of its retention, yet the Senate, upon motion of Mr. WOODIN, decided to retain this board until January, 1875, when it is to be abolished. It is difficult to imagine how the Senate could reach such a conclusion as this. If it is proper that the Board of Assistant Aldermen should cease to exist two years hence, there is no excuse for continuing it an hour, and if the Senate is wise it will abandon the absurd position taken on this point in Committee of the Whole, and abolish this board at once when it comes to a recorded vote.

The debate in the Senate last evening on the appointing power did not show the temper of the body on this vital point with much distinctness. It did show, however, a marvelous incapacity upon the part of Mr. WOODIN to understand the position which THE TIMES has taken on this question. For his especial enlightenment, we must repeat that we have steadfastly adhered to the plan of appointments by the Mayor, with confirmation by the Aldermen, precisely as laid down in Mr. LOWERY'S amendment, as the preferable one. We have never advocated any other mode than this. Our former strictures against the impolicy of repeating the experiment of the "one-man power" were directed against the Committee of Seventy's proposal to free the Mayor from the checks involved in the confirming function of the Board of Aldermen. If Mr. WOODIN can find no better argument for the adoption of his pet scheme of the Mayor and the two Presidents than misstatements concerning the course of this journal, he might profitably omit any further remarks in its behalf.

It is plain the Senate is drifting into difficulties, and there is but one way out of them. Let it adopt the charter substantially as it came from the Assembly, after incorporating Mr. LOWERY'S amendment, and it will be doing the Republican Party that great service which Senators profess such an anxiety to perform. No party can afford to descend to a subterfuge for the sake of securing patronage, and least of all can the Republican Party. Even in the narrow, partisan view which some Senators delight to take of the subject, the only safe thing to do is the right thing. The party can be served only by doing what is universally conceded to be right, and we have yet to hear any one deny that, as a matter of right and principle, appointments should be with the Mayor subject to the approval of the Aldermen. Against it we have only had the foolish cry that it is not safe for the Republican Party, which means that some people suppose they might not obtain office. Let the Senators who act upon this argument remember that the people know exactly what it means. Let them remember that the masses of the Republican Party in the City and out of it demand this and nothing else. And let them not forget that the people demand that a charter shall be passed. Public patience will be utterly exhausted by a second failure upon the part of the Republican Party to rid this City of TWEED'S office-holders. The Senate certainly understands the grave responsibility which rests upon it, and we hope will no longer endeavor to evade it. Let it have done with shams and give this City at once a charter which shall be enduring and creditable. If the Senate will ignore all the petty expedients which are urged upon its attention, and stand firmly by the principle so ably defended by Senators LOWERY and D. P. WOOD last evening, it will again receive those public plaudits which were showered upon it last Summer when it dared to do right in the impeachment cases.

The Insurrection Against the Railways.

During one-half the year the grain producers of the country are completely at the mercy of the railways. The great trunk lines from the West to the East exercise a despotic power over the fortunes of that agricultural empire known as the Northwest, embracing ten millions of people, and producing $1,000,000,000 a year. This power, far greater and more arbitrary than is known in any political organization of Western Europe, rests substantially without check in the hands of three men, and in the hands of those they choose to associate with them. This tyranny, oppressive and offensive as it is, is exercised with relentless severity. The farmer who raises his wheat or corn in the North-west, is taxed by it from fifty to seventy-five per cent. of his gross earnings. Of every four bushels he gathers, he is obliged to pay from two to three as tribute to this little band of rulers, who have almost imperceptibly been for years strengthening their hold upon him. Corn which sold for seventy-three cents last month in Boston, netted the Illinois farmer only twenty-three. These exactions, ruinous in extent, are enforced with all the adjuncts that render taxation odious and intolerable. They are variable in form, uncertain in presentation, unequal in distribution, and collected often with insolence, and always with rigor. So galling are they in all their features, and so disastrous in their consequences, that no government could impose them to one-fourth the amount, or with one-half their aggravating incidents, without being surely and swiftly, and probably violently overthrown.

Though it is not the amount of the taxes which the railways levy that is their only oppressive feature, yet that is something which few people in the East realize. We are so largely engaged in the work of effecting exchanges only, and our transactions are made for the most part over an area relatively so small, that it is difficult for us to understand the weight of the burden borne by the producers of the West in the expense of getting their products to market. We sell often at a loss, but we never find it more profitable to destroy our property than to try to sell it at all. But for months farmers in Iowa and Minnesota have been burning their corn for fuel, and many thousand bushels were allowed to rot on the ground rather than incur the expense of harvesting. When we remember the unexampled facilities the West enjoys for production—fertile soil, improved methods and machinery, and intelligent labor—this picture is nothing less than startling.

But it is not the enormous cost of freight alone which makes the lot of the farmers a hard one. It is the manner in which this cost is imposed. Freights vary from month to month, and one-half the year are from one-third to double what they are during the other half. Corn, which can be sent from Chicago to New-York for sixteen cents in June, by water, and which the railways will carry for twenty-five cents in August, the same railways charge thirty-six cents for carrying in January, and this is believed to be in one case twice, and in the other three times, what would fairly compensate the roads for carriage. Freights vary, too, with locality. Distances shorter by 200 miles are charged for at higher rates than longer ones. Between New-York City and the State of Indiana, 100 pounds of freight can be carried for twenty-five cents, and doubtless money is made by the operation. But between Rochester, N. Y., and the same point in Indiana, a distance less by 400 miles, the charge is $1 25 for 100 pounds. Plainly more than four-fifths of this charge is profit. In other words, the profit is more than 400 per cent. These are but examples of facts, which the business community can furnish plenty of others to match.

Nor are these the only offensive characteristics of the present condition of affairs. The extortion, which every one can see are intolerably heavy and aggravating, are the work of a combination of men whose sole title to their profits comes from the free gift of the people. The public feel that they are being bound with bonds of their own forging. It is from the people that all railway franchises proceed. Moreover, in a large number of cases the people have actually taxed themselves to build the roads whose managers are now pressing them so sorely. This adds indignation to a sense of suffering and loss. Privileges which were given for public as well as private gain are perverted solely to private ends. The process partakes of robbery, or, at least, of swindling.

The secret of the course of the railways is not far to seek. Most of them are making apparently moderate dividends; but these dividends are the profits on an investment far smaller than their apparent capital, which is swollen by continual watering. This is equivalent to saying that the railway companies are greedy, and have the power within the forms of law to satisfy their greed. They are practically irresponsible. Legislation, so far, has been almost exclusively on their side. Everything has been done for encouragement, nothing for restriction. Now the tide is turning. There is a powerful reaction in the public mind, and especially in the West, which is taking the shape of widespread organization. What remedies will be finally devised it is too soon to say, but unless representative government is a delusion, the creatures of the law will, in the long run, be curbed by law.

Italian Opera.

Whenever a season of Italian opera ends in New-York, an objurgatory outbreak follows with ludicrous regularity. Hardly anything seems too hard for people to say of managers, artists, and all concerned. In the newspapers and in society, almost everywhere, we hear the same story. The season has been a disappointment, promises have been broken right and left, and everything has been a failure. The manager is behind the age, is indolent, inefficient, and regardless of his word; the artists can neither sing nor act, or, if they can do either, they are not so good as some one else we have heard before; the orchestra has been totally inadequate in both numbers and quality; the chorus has been vile beyond description; and the scenes and appointments would disgrace a barn. When to these defects is added that of a failure to bring out the operas announced as certainties at the beginning of the season, the cup of public grievance seems to be running over, and the consequent tempest of public indignation thoroughly warranted.

But before we quite make up our minds on this point—before we resolve, without dissent, that so general a chorus of harsh expletives should rightly succeed the flowers and melodies that lately filled the now silent Academy—perhaps, for the sake of justice, it may be worth while to examine the matter a little. In the first place, it is proper to remark that, if we cross over to London, or any other European capital having a non-subsidized opera, we shall find that the ends of seasons are almost invariably attended by precisely the same outcries as those heard in New-York. There, as here, are launched forth the bitter reproaches, the unsparing condemnation, the cynical despair, to which, as the last notes of our lyric seasons die away, we are so well accustomed. These facts at least prove that our situation in this respect is not a singular one. In truth, it is the common result of the production of Italian opera everywhere. But, inasmuch as the production of Italian opera is more difficult and expensive in New-York than anywhere else, it is only right to consider the fact from the stand-point of managers and artists, as well as from that of the public; and we may add that the end of a season, for some obvious reasons, furnishes the best time for trying to do justice, in this particular respect, all round.

The season in New-York is limited—in other words, the public will only pay to hear opera a certain number of nights. It follows that to keep together his company and meet expenses a manager must eke out the time elsewhere. But traveling and hotels are costly, and this climate, with its savage extremes, is terribly hard on the voice. From these various facts it appears that chorus and orchestra must be, to a great extent, "scratch" affairs in New-York, or, at least, must be so until the public are ready to pay for a regular extended season. It is obviously the interest of managers to please the public. They all declare that it is also their earnest desire, and we have no doubt of their candor in any instance. But they urge, and very reasonably, that the element of "luck" enters into their affairs to an extent disheartening to those who would rather depend on work and assiduity. A manager, for example, goes to Europe for talent. He hears a tenor in Madrid who makes a great sensation there. The manager says to himself this is just the man for New-York, and effects an engagement with him. The artist arrives at New-York in December, has a sharp attack of bronchitis in his first fortnight, tries to sing through it, and makes a failure. In Europe, the manager could at once fill the gap. It would be a matter of a dozen telegraphic dispatches, of three days, and the place could be supplied. Here, of course, it is far different. Singers dread the sea, and they dread this country. Whether it is true or not, there is a prejudice among them that artists only come here in their *decadesce*. They are almost always reproached, too, on their return, with deterioration. It is so with RISTORI, and has been so with nearly every one of the noted opera singers. This is not the fault of managers, but it is their serious misfortune. They have given the highest terms they could afford, but a blight is on their season, and even if they pull through with the treasury, they do not escape sharp condemnation.

All the defects and blemishes named are susceptible of modification, and we may be sure will be gradually modified. The New-York season of Italian opera will be extended, artists will get to make the Atlantic less of a bugbear, orchestra and chorus will grow in number and efficiency, and—forced in part by the brilliant example of our theatres—the appointments and "business" of the lyric stage will become what they should be. In the mean time censure, like honor, should be assigned only where it is due, and where the fault springs from several causes, it should not be ascribed to one alone. After all said and done, the past season at the Academy has included several very worthy performances. Mme. LUCCA, in some parts, has taken the public by storm, and achieved a position here never to be forgotten or gainsaid. Miss KELLOGG has striven with untiring spirit and skill to do justice to a popularity worthily gained and universally acknowledged. Signor JAMET has repeatedly won honorable plaudits, and Signori VIZZANI and SPARAPANI have advanced steadily in the good will of their audience by artistic work honestly performed. Of Mr. MARETZEK it is but just to say that he has done his best with the material at command, and that New-York owes to his courage and enterprise what, in the absence of those qualities, she might have gone this year entirely without. For next season we are promised NILSSON, CAMPANINI, and CAPOUL, together with other redoubtable artists, and the prospects of future Italian opera are undeniably very bright.

A Word to Working Men.

The Society of Stone Masons held a meeting on Wednesday night, to discuss the conduct of Mr. VANDERBILT in bringing workmen from Connecticut to take the place of those who decline to work twelve hours a day on the Fourth-avenue Railroad improvement. It is reported that certain of the delegates present at the meeting urged that the Connecticut men be driven away by violence. The resolutions adopted make no mention of any such purpose, and are, in that respect, at all events, quite unobjectionable. Those who counsel riot and outrage are always in a minority in any respectable trade organization, though the odium of their acts usually attaches to their law-abiding associates.

That many of the workmen employed in the various industries of this City will strike, in the course of a few weeks, for higher wages or fewer hours of work, is very probable. That they have the right to strike no fair-minded person denies. As a rule, strikes are inexpedient, inasmuch as they usually cost the workmen, in the long run, more than they gain in the instances where their demands are complied with. Looking at the matter solely in the interests of the workmen, we should urge them, in no circumstances, to strike until all other efforts to improve their condition had proved fruitless, and to always prefer a peaceful compromise with their employers rather than to assume an attitude of open hostility to them. Every generous man feels a warm sympathy for men who, like the workmen in the gas-houses, are compelled to labor in an unwholesome atmosphere for twelve long hours, with scarcely an opportunity to enjoy the pleasures of such humble homes as their frugal economy may provide. If they cannot live upon their wages, and can obtain better terms in no other way than by striking, he who does not feel a warm pity for them must have thoroughly subdued his natural impulses. In cases where such workmen strike, as the last resort, after the failure of all other means, they naturally look for sympathy among the disinterested members of the community.

But the moment the strikers undertake to deprive other men of the right of working for such wages as they see fit, they lose the sympathy of orderly citizens and strengthen the hands of their opponents. The lawless striker who assaults a fellow-workman, disgraces his comrades and the union to which he belongs, however innocent the latter may be. He arrays public sentiment and public authority against his cause. No community can permit acts of violence and riot, and no Government can refuse to protect the lives of men whose only crime is a willingness to work for less wages than other men demand.

We, therefore, call upon the members of the trades-unions to strongly condemn all acts of violence toward other workmen. If, whether wisely or unwisely, they determine upon striking for higher wages or eight hours of work, let them determine to do so in an orderly way. Let them, if they choose, endeavor by peaceable argument to induce the non-unionists to join their ranks, but in no circumstances let them attempt to coerce them by fear or force. The right of non-unionists to work is at least as clear as the right of unionists to strike, and sympathy for the latter ceases when they endeavor to enforce what they deem to be their own rights by depriving the former of theirs. Will the honest, respectable masses of our trades-unionists permit themselves and their cause to be brought into disgrace by the lawless violence of a few ignorant ruffians?

Divorce Made Easy.

That divorce in Indiana has long been dangerously easy is well known; but of some methods for facilitating the process invented by enterprising lawyers the world is more ignorant. One of these has lately been shown up in Cincinnati, which it may serve a good purpose to make public throughout the country, since the mischief that can be done in Indiana, according to law, in these cases, is quite serious enough, without leaving unchecked a nefarious and illegal abuse.

It appears that a young man who, if sometimes fond of a "lark," is honest, and otherwise respectable, had amused himself a little too freely of late, and found himself in the bar-room of a well-known Cincinnati hotel rather late, and rather tipsy. Here he was accosted by "a dark-complexioned man with piercing eyes," who asked him if his name were not G——. That being, in fact, his name, he assented, and the stranger proceeded to say that he had heard of him, and thought he could put him in the way of making some money. To this usually agreeable proposition Mr. G—— lent a not unwilling ear, and invited further disclosures. The dark man thereupon, plunging *in medias res*, announced that he had a divorce case on hand in Aurora, Ind., and that he wanted some testimony. "Now, you," he proceeded, with delicate appreciation, "are just the man to give it." To this G—— artlessly objected that he had never been in Aurora—or, indeed, in the State of Indiana—in all his life; and that he neither knew, nor had ever heard of, either of the parties to the divorce case. To this the lawyer, who called himself SHAEFFER, made sweet response that these facts were rather of advantage than otherwise to the purpose in view. He then began to look meditatively at a new ten-dollar bill, which, soon after, found its way into Mr. G——'s waistcoat pocket. "The fact is," SHAEFFER presently said, with an outburst of affectionate candor, "we've got the whole thing written out here"—and he brought forth a long document written on law cap—"and all you've got to do is to fill in this blank with your name, or any name you like, with your age, and then sign the name at the bottom. That's all. You'll have to go down with me to Aurora day after to-morrow, and—just as a matter of form, you know—go before a notary there, be sworn, and fill out the paper." At this Mr. G—— mildly demurred. He thought there might be some risk about the business. Perjury was no joke, and ten dollars——. "Just so," said Mr. SHAEFFER; "but then you'll get ten more at the depot before we start, and ten more as soon as you sign the paper. Besides," he added, by way of a clincher, "you can drink all you please while you're there, and we'll pay all expenses." This adroit shot soon brought about capitulation. At least, Mr. SHAEFFER thought it did, which was principally to the purpose. For the bibulous, but pliant, G—— thereupon agreed to meet his tempter as arranged, to take train on the Ohio and Mississippi Railroad two days after at 6 o'clock, and to start for Aurora. Thus, rubbing his hands with satisfaction, as over a good deed worthily accomplished, Mr. SHAEFFER retired.

But "the best laid plans o' mice and men gang aft agley." The fertile mind of Mr. G—— hit on a variation from the contemplated scheme, which he forthwith carried into effect. This was nothing less than to take the affidavit—which proved to be one of the most scoundrelly exercises in lying ever put together by an unscrupulous attorney—straight to the office of the Cincinnati *Enquirer*, in the columns of which sheet it appeared in full on the day appointed for the meeting with SHAEFFER. The astonishment of that gentleman over this neat turn given to the situation may be easily imagined; but whether his surprise was increased, as it ought to have been, by finding himself looked up to answer a charge of subornation of perjury, we have been unable to ascertain. There can be little doubt that the infamous kind of work, of which this is so precious a sample, has been practiced in Indiana to a shameful extent of late, and we shall be glad to be able to record some instances of sharp and wholesome punishment.

MINOR TOPICS.

It has heretofore been deemed impossible to convict any of the "counterfeit circular" swindlers, but the District-Attorney yesterday succeeded in surmounting this impossibility, and Recorder HACKETT promptly inflicted the full penalty of the law upon the two culprits who had been tried before him. In this particular case it may have been that the accused were not the chief offenders, but experience has shown that the only way to put an end to this demoralizing crime, is to punish every one connected with it. The operations of these swindlers have become so vast, that it is imperatively necessary to put some check upon them, and the District-Attorney can in no way do a better service to society than by prosecuting all connected with them with the utmost vigor.

Connecticut does not appear to be relapsing into Democracy to any great extent. A canvass being lately made of a school district in the town of Greenwich, with a view to the approaching election, it disclosed the satisfactory fact that but one Democrat could be found outside of the poor-house. There has apparently been a great change since the days when TWEED and his gang rioted at the American Club-house. In those flush times Democrats were exceedingly plentiful about Greenwich, and most of them fared sumptuously every day. True, they were citizens of New-York, and supposed to have nothing to do with the politics of the neighboring State; but whoever believed so knew little of the ways of Tammany. But TWEED has gone out of the business of carrying elections, and there should be no trouble in achieving a Republican triumph in Connecticut this Spring.

Scarcely a week passes that we do not hear of the "mangling" of men, women, and boys in the New-England factories, through having been caught either by the hair or clothing, by horizontal and upright shafts. There were two particularly horrible cases of this character a few days ago. One was that of a boy, ten years old, at East Lynne, Conn. The little fellow, while engaged in his regular occupation in a woolen-mill, had occasion to go into a cellar where there was an upright shaft making 300 revolutions a minute. As the local chronicler tells the story: "By some means his clothes were caught, and a workman who went down later found the body a shapeless mass, still revolving with the shaft." The other case was that of a young woman, seventeen years of age, employed at the Kearsarge Mills, Portsmouth, N. H. She became entangled in the shafting above her head and was drawn up by her scarf, and injured in a shocking manner. Now, is it not about time that something were done to put a stop to such a reckless sacrifice of human life? Young girls ought not to be permitted to wear flowing hair, scarfs, ribbons, and long dresses during working hours. There is nothing easier than to make and enforce rules for regulating the attire of operatives, and if the mill-owners neglect any longer to do it, it is plainly the duty of the Legislatures of the different States to compel them.

Some public-spirited person has gone to work in the right way by causing the arrest of "Dr." MANSFIELD, a spiritual medium, for obtaining money from his clients upon the false pretext of giving them communications from the spirit world. Now, let MANSFIELD subpœna his spirits, and bring them into court as witnesses in his behalf. The person who has complained against him undertakes to prove that MANSFIELD'S "spirit-writing" is a shallow trick, and if he succeeds in so doing, he will prove a public benefactor. Of course, MANSFIELD, if he is really on intimate terms with the spirits, can make his defense so clear as to convince any court and to greatly extend his reputation. There are dozens of these "mediums" in the City who might with equal propriety be called upon to prove their pretensions, and it is to be hoped that the opportunity to do so will before long be furnished to them.

The proverbial "Jersey justice," it appears, is about to be tempered with a little mercy, provided the Legislature approves of an amendment to the State Prison act, which has just been submitted to the Senate, and which authorizes the Board of Supervisors to appoint an agent at a salary of $1,000, with power to expend $2,000 per year in the work of procuring employment for such of the discharged convicts as may have, during the period of imprisonment, shown a disposition to reform and lead useful lives. It would be difficult to conceive of a more humane system of treatment, nor one that seems better calculated to exercise a beneficial influence upon the criminal classes. Hundreds of young men and women, we have no doubt, may be found every year who would be willing to give practical evidence of repentance for the remainder of their lives for having once yielded to temptation, if they could only succeed in getting honest people to trust them. It is to be hoped that the New-Jersey Legislature will promptly agree to the amendment referred to, and that we shall soon hear a favorable report from the agent appointed under it.

Marshal BAZAINE is about to be set at liberty upon his parole, after months of imprisonment. He was originally arrested in order that a victim might be furnished to expiate the disgrace of the French armies. There was not the slightest evidence to show that he was other than a brave and faithful soldier, and those who called him a traitor because he surrendered to the Germans, flung that epithet at nearly every French General who was defeated. The recent investigation into the siege of Metz has, it is reported, disclosed nothing that reflected upon BAZAINE'S honor. He is, therefore, released from imprisonment, but the Government does not seem to have the magnanimity to declare him innocent.

The Newtown, Long Island, reformers, it appears, have been interfered with to such an extent by "ring" jackmen, as to be at last forced to find a secret meeting-place for the purpose of nominating suitable candidates for local offices. The election is to be held on the 1st of April, and from the determination that has been shown by the people to get rid of swindlers, there is good reason to believe that they will be successful. In 1871, the management of the financial affairs of the town was assumed by a committee of seventy-one, and between that time and the present there has been a reduction of nearly four per cent. in the rate of taxation on real estate. When the "Ring" was in power, taxes increased so rapidly that property was becoming almost valueless.

AMUSEMENTS.

Musical.

APPROACHING CONCERTS.

A number of exceedingly interesting concerts solicit attention. This evening, the Wagner Union is to give its first entertainment, at Steinway Hall, when a programme of a very representative kind—so far as WAGNER is concerned—will be interpreted by Mr. Thomas' orchestra. There will be a rehearsal for the Saturday concert of the Philharmonic Society, at the Academy of Music, this afternoon. Miss Annie Louise Cary will be the soloist, and she will sing "Pensi alla patria," from Rossini's "Italiana in Algieri," and Gluck's well-known aria. "Che farò senza Euridice." To-morrow evening Mr. Thomas will give his fifth symphony concert at Steinway Hall. We have already printed the list of selections for this admirable recital. Next Monday a series of concerts by Messrs. Rubinstein and Wieniawski, and Mr. Thomas' orchestra, is to be commenced at Steinway Hall. We shall hereafter allude in detail to the promise of these most attractive performances, noticing, meantime, that on Monday Mr. Rubinstein's "Ocean Symphony" will be done under the baton of the composer. During the week following Miss Anna Mehlig is to give one of two matinées at Steinway Hall. It would be ungrateful, indeed, not to admit that New-York has been blessed this Winter a rather favored City.

Miscellaneous.

MR. BELLEW'S ENTERTAINMENTS.

This evening Mr. Bellew is to deliver his lecture on "Oliver Goldsmith," at the Academy of Music. Mr. Bellew is already known and admired as a reader, and we trust that his effort to-night will show that he merits quite as high honors as an author.

Senator Casserly and the Bank of California.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 26.—The Washington telegrams reviving the charge that Senator Casserly's election, over five years ago, was tainted with bribery, and that such is the general sentiment of the people here, excite only surprise and indignation. The reports are believed to be adroitly imposed upon Eastern Press correspondents by agents of some of the lobby schemes which Mr. Casserly aided in killing during last Congress. So far from the Bank of California having purchased Mr. Casserly's election, John Conness was notoriously the Senatorial candidate of the bank and the railroad influence. Casserly's election was the result of practical co-operation in the State election between the Democrats and a large number of Republicans, who bolted the nomination of George C. Gorham for Governor, and who were opposed to Conness for Senator. This combination of circumstances, without any agreed coalition of opposing political elements, resulted in the election of Haight for Governor and Casserly for Senator. The Legislature which elected the Senator had these bribery charges before them at the time, but the Senate, which had a majority of Republicans, none of whom voted for Casserly, indefinitely postponed the consideration of the whole matter more than five years ago. His friends appeal to his whole course in Congress as the conclusive answer to anything imputing to him subserviency to capitalists in California or elsewhere. No reputable California journalist of either party questions Casserly's personal purity and integrity.

Vessels Stopped by the Ice.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., March 27.—The propeller McManus and a barge, both bound for Newburg, are lying at the West Point dock, being unable to proceed further in consequence of the ice. They have been there since 10 o'clock this morning, and cannot get away to-night.

AFFAIRS IN ENGLAND.

The Ministerial Crisis—An Unexpected Result—An Independent Royal Family.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Saturday, March 15, 1873.

Mr. Gladstone, who came into office with a majority of 100, found himself, last Wednesday morning, in a minority of three. The cause of his downfall was the desertion of the Irish members at the bidding of the Roman Catholic Bishops, from whom they take their ideas. This fact is, in itself, the best commentary on Mr. Gladstone's Irish policy. He took office pledged to govern Ireland according to Irish ideas. Previously the great mistake had been committed of allowing English and Scotch opinions to influence legislation for Ireland. Henceforth it was to be understood that Ireland was a peculiar country, which required very peculiar treatment, and which Irishmen alone could understand. The people must know best what they wanted, and what they wanted must, of course, be best for them. All that was necessary, therefore, was to find out what they wanted, and let them have it. This was Mr. Gladstone's programme. He went about the country proclaiming that there was a good deal to be said for Fenianism, and that something must be done to content the Irish. The Protestant Church must be disestablished to please the Roman Catholics. Landlords must be put under the control of tenants in order to please the small farmers. That these assurances were, in some degree, wise and just, cannot be disputed. The maintenance of a Protestant establishment in the midst of a Catholic country was a scandal of unreason and injustice; and, on the other hand, the relations between landlords and tenants had got into such a muddle that it was necessary to put them on a even footing, which everybody could understand. But what is especially important to remember in considering Mr. Gladstone's Ministerial career is, that his measures were put forward, not so much because they were wise and just in themselves, or because they were required to satisfy the conscience of Parliament and Government, as because they would be sure to conciliate and pacify the Irish. This was to be the reward. Mr. Gladstone described his project as "a measure of peace," and his answer to all objections was, that it would be worth while to make any sacrifice for the sake of quieting the sister island. And what has been the result? The disestablishment of the Church has only made the priests more grasping and overbearing in their demands. The farmers, having acquired a right to compensation and protection under the Land act, have jumped to the conclusion that the land is now quite their own, and that rent is an illegal extortion. And, to crown all, Mr. Gladstone himself has been overthrown by the efforts of the Irish Roman Catholics, for whom he was endeavoring to secure a large and liberal increase of university education. The result is startling for the moment, but there is really nothing to be surprised at. Gladstone encouraged the Irish to believe that they had only to cry out for anything in order to get it. The more they got the more they wanted, and when at last his resources were exhausted, and he had reached a point at which he could yield nothing more, they turned upon and rent him.

THE DEFEAT UNEXPECTED.

Up to within a few hours of the division being taken, it was generally believed that the Government would weather the storm. The Protestants were becoming more reconciled to the bill by the hope of getting it amended in committee, and on Monday night Mr. Cardwell had, on behalf of the Government, given up some of the more objectionable parts of the measure. On the other hand, it was suspected that the Roman Catholics were really willing to take the bill as the best they could get, and that their apparent hostility to it was only put on in order to see whether, by an affectation of resistance, they could not obtain still better terms. When the time came, however, for a positive decision, the bishops seem to have thought that they had gone too far to recede with dignity; and their calculations as to the probable results of a general election also, no doubt, influenced their judgment. I told you, in a former letter, of the great preparations which they have been making, with a view to control the elections, not only in Ireland but in England. Local committees have been formed all over the country; associations have been opened with sitting members and expectant candidates; and, in short, a bold, vigorous, and comprehensive campaign has been sketched out. The extension of the franchise and the ballot have greatly weakened the influence of landlords and employers, and the priests are making a push for the control of the large body of voters who are now turned loose to do as they like. As part of this policy, they have taken up the cause of the agricultural laborers, and have endeavored to ingratiate themselves with the trades-unions. Archbishop Manning, however, was recently hissed at a unionist meeting, and he and his friends will probably see the propriety of working in this direction a little less openly. There are plenty of masks behind which they can operate with great effect. I have no doubt that the Ultramontane leaders will discover that they have committed a great blunder as far as their own interests are concerned; but in the meantime, they are very confident and sanguine. The Irish vote was really the turning-point of the whole affair. When it became known that it was likely to be cast against the Government, the Conservatives were not slow to see their opportunity. Mr. Hardy had already pronounced against the bill, but Mr. Disraeli had been absent on account of a sore throat, and was supposed to be wavering. Mr. Cardwell's concessions had also weakened the feeling of the Conservatives against the measure. Toward midnight on Tuesday, Mr. Disraeli rose to speak, and his first few sentences showed clearly enough that he had resolved to take advantage of the Irish defection from the other side. Mr. Gladstone contributed in a characteristic manner to his own ruin. He thought it necessary to add an explanation of his own to Mr. Cardwell's statement. Mr. Cardwell had said that the Government would not insist upon certain points, and Mr. Gladstone pointed out that this only meant that the Government would agree to discuss those points in committee. Both Gladstone and Cardwell were, no doubt, at one on the subject. What was intended to be implied was simply that the Government would not strike the points in question out of the bill, but would not regard them as vital to the bill if the House chose to strike them out. But Mr. Gladstone's unfortunate incapacity for plain, straightforward speech, and the universal distrust and suspicion of quibbling and hair-splitting which attach to everything he says, alarmed the House. Nobody knew exactly what to believe, and in a position of doubt may have thought it safest to go against the Government.

THE INTERREGNUM.

Before the division Mr. Gladstone had announced that the existence of the Ministry was staked on the result. He is tired of office. Four years' wear and tear has rubbed the bloom off it. During the past year or so his majority has been gradually declining in numbers, while what remained has shown increasing symptoms of restiveness and mutiny. The pace of Parliamentary work has also been severe, and the summary rejection of a great measure on which he particularly prided himself has been a bitter mortification to him. All this has told on his health and spirits, and that he sincerely desired release from office can hardly be doubted. Even if he had made no pledges on the subject, he would probably have decided upon resigning, and in any case he felt bound to adhere to his declaration. What has since passed will have reached you by telegraph. The Queen happened to be in town on Wednesday, holding a court at Buckingham Palace, and Mr. Gladstone went to see her in the morning. He tendered his resignation and was asked to reconsider it. He went back to his colleagues, and after discussing the matter with them, he returned to the Palace, but of the same mind as before, and this time Her Majesty accepted his surrender of office. Next day Mr. Disraeli, as the recognised leader of the Opposition, was sent for. He, too, was found to be as reluctant to take office as his rival was to remain in it. He pointed out the difficulties of the situation, and begged for another day to consider matters. Just then his friends were rather scattered—Lord Derby at Nice, Lord Cairns at Rome, Lord Carnarvon cruising about somewhere in a yacht. Lord Derby, who had been communicated with by telegraph, arrived last night. Without any loss of time, he had a conference with Mr. Disraeli. The denouement of all this will by this time have been known to you for many days.

THE ROYAL FAMILY.

The High Church people are very angry with the Royal family just now. The Duke of Edinburgh's equerry and confidential friend, Elliot Yorke, has married a Jewess, daughter of Sir Anthony Rothschild, and is about to be married himself to the Czar's only daughter, who, of course, belongs to the Greek Church. On Thursday night the Duke and the Prince of Wales voted for the bill legalizing marriage with a deceased wife's sister—I fancy the first time they ever voted at all. Then the Princes go to the theatre night after night, although we are now in Lent, and even the Queen does not scruple to hold courts and levées in that sacred season. A more practical grievance is that of the ladies who cry out about having to go to court in Winter weather with bare arms and shoulders. They have to take their place in their carriages in a long line of vehicles early in the forenoon, in order to be in good time. A carriage, even with the windows up, is not a very warm place, and all the roughs and ragamuffins assemble to peep through the windows and criticise the appearance of the "quality," in very free and easy language. "Oh, my! here's a skinny one!" or, "Lor'! she's fat enough for a first prize!" is about the pleasantest remark the poor, shivering, red-nosed devotees of royalty are likely to hear concerning themselves. After an hour or so spent in this cheerful and exhilirating manner, the ladies who are going to pay their respects to their sovereign are ushered into a large and by no means warmly-ventilated room in the Palace. Here there is more waiting and shivering. Then the Queen arrives, and there is a bold rush through the velvet barriers leading to the throne-room; young and old admirals and debutantes, captains and dowagers, swords and flounces, are pell-mell crushing and rustling into the presence of royalty, when rank and beauty at last arrive, short of breath and very red of face, for the tree scrimmage outside. Years ago Leech showed up the scene in a cartoon in *Punch*. It was an old story then, and it goes on still the same as ever. Of course, if fine ladies were once to be allowed to go to court, clothed decently and comfortably, and reach their sovereign without a competitive struggle at the door, the British Constitution would certainly tumble to pieces. Although ladies at court have very little on, there is a good deal to describe if one may judge from the following authoritative account:

"At Her Majesty's drawing-room, yesterday, the hair appeared to be dressed higher than ever, and the top of the head, and almost all the young ladies had it turned from the face over a cushion; the feathers and flowers were worn more on the top of the head than of old. The young girls who were presented patronised snow-drops a good deal, one of them particularly having them most gracefully arranged on one side of the top of the head, almost as they were growing there, with a little veil, covered with pearl beads, was rather a novelty, and colored ribbons round the neck, with a bow in front and diamonds in the centre, were much worn. One lady had a ribbon collar at the throat trimmed with lace quite in the Louis XIV. style; indeed, the belles of the present drawing-room seem to affect the pictures of our ancestors than ever. More rolls than seemed to be worn, more costly lace, and the trimmings were more elaborate than ever. It would be really difficult to attempt to describe the puffings, plaitings, and ruchings of which the tulle petticoats were composed. One dress had the lace looped together up in a great many bows at the side, which was filled out with white tulle and sewed over ribbon, and had a very novel effect. A black corded silk train, with deep blue folds of blue silk, was worn with it, dotted over with primroses."

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BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

The legal-tenders outstanding are $356,400,000.

The President did not leave Washington for New-York last night as expected.

William D. Richison was, yesterday, convicted of the murder of John B. Forwell, at St. Louis, Ohio.

Rev. John S. Wilson, D. D., a distinguished Presbyterian divine, died in Atlanta, Ga., yesterday.

Thomas Rowe, a laborer, was killed yesterday while crossing the Boston and Providence Railroad track in Boston.

Reports from Campbellsville, Taylor County, Ky., state that the greater portion of the town was destroyed by fire on Tuesday night.

The steamer Dardanelle sunk on Tuesday at Mills Bend, in the Arkansas River, thirty-five miles below Little Rock; loss $76,000; uninsured.

The body of a young man was taken from the water at Tiverton, R. I., yesterday afternoon, believed to be that of Peter Brennan, of Fall River.

Henry McCausland is on trial, in San Francisco, the second time, for the murder of Noah Mullendorer, the dramatic critic of the San Francisco *Call*.

The mutilated body of John Moren, a railroad laborer, was found on the track of the Worcester Railroad, near Whiting's Station, Mass., yesterday morning.

Judges Sawyer and Hoffman, in San Francisco, admitted R. D. Bogart to bail in $10,000, yesterday afternoon. The case was continued until next Tuesday.

Two freight-trains on the Portland, Saco, and Portsmouth Railroad came in collision at Elliot last night, by which the locomotives and several cars were wrecked.

The United States steam-ship Vanderbilt was sold at auction yesterday, at the Mare Island Navy-yard, to Geo. Howes & Co., of San Francisco, for $42,000 in currency.

The President will hereafter, while Congress is not in session, receive callers on other than official business on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, from 11 to 1 o'clock.

C. B. Briscoe, the agent in Baltimore for a Pittsburg, Penn., whisky manufactory, was arrested yesterday, accused of the embezzlement of $9,000, and released on $10,000 bail.

Both branches of the Michigan Legislature have adopted a resolution urging upon Congress the construction of a ship canal from Lake Michigan to Lake Erie, or Lake Huron.

W. S. Pride, a correspondent of the Wilmington *Every Evening*, was expelled from the Delaware House of Representatives for criticising certain measures before the Legislature.

The Pennsylvania Senate bill appropriating $1,000,000 for the centennial exhibition, was concurred in by the House with much enthusiasm, and was signed by the Governor yesterday.

William Russell, conductor on the Pittsburg, Cincinnati, and St. Louis Railway was yesterday found guilty, in Cincinnati, of embezzlement, and fined $100 and costs. A bill of exceptions is in preparation.

Henry Lavison, aged twelve years, while sweeping the spinning-room of a mill in Manchester, N. H., yesterday morning, was caught in the machinery, and so badly injured that he died in a few moments.

The balances in the Treasury yesterday were: Currency, $2,968,084; special deposit of legal-tenders for the redemption of certificates of deposit, $20,048,000; coin, $99,871,943; including in coin certificates, $34,895,500.

The Treasurer yesterday received from New-York $68 25 coincidence-money, being unpaid duty on magic-lanterns brought from Europe for Sunday-school use, the person importing believing he had a right to do so without paying duty on them.

There was some excitement on State-street, Boston, yesterday, resulting from the choice of a new Secretary and Treasurer by the Pewabic Mining Company. The displaced treasurer refuses to surrender his books to his successor, and there is a prospect of business for lawyers.

The schooner Ada M. Dyer was found near Smith's Island in a sinking condition, on Wednesday, and was taken in tow for Hampton Roads, but sunk in five fathoms of water. She belonged in Provincetown, Mass., and had a cargo of oysters. The vessel and cargo were valued at $15,000.

Railroad Injunction in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, March 27.—The Union Passenger Railroad Company commenced laying tracks on Market-street, below Ninth, under the law recently passed, but were soon stopped by an injunction of the Court, under proceedings commenced by the Market-street Company and the merchants occupying stores along the street. The Market-street Railway claim to have exclusive right to the street for railway purposes, and the merchants claim that placing four tracks on the street would obstruct their business.

GENERAL NOTES.

The class boat-races at Harvard College will take place Saturday, May 31.

Gov. Furnas called a special session of the Legislature of Nebraska, to meet yesterday.

Gen. Stanley reports that the Sioux around Fort Sully are suffering greatly from spotted fever.

Six attempts were made to burn a Baptist church in Norfolk, Va., on Sunday night, and no arrests followed.

William Edwards, who has been an active Delaware pilot ever since 1800, has just died at the age of eighty-four.

One of the successful applicants for schools in Allegany County, this State, is a woman seventy-three years of age.

A marble statue of Benjamin Franklin is among the unclaimed articles advertised for sale by the Collector of New-Orleans.

Citizens of Montreal have held an indignation meeting, and denounced the Fire Department of the city for inefficiency.

Lieut.-Gov. Milton H. Pettit, of Wisconsin, died Sunday, aged forty-seven years. He was a native of this State, and went to Wisconsin in 1846.

Hon. Rufus P. Tapley, formerly one of the Supreme Judges of Maine, has been assigned as the senior counsel for Louis Wagner, the Isles of Shoals murderer.

It is said that a maple-tree does not yield more than thirty cents worth of sugar per year, and that the labor required represents half of that amount.

Sixteen persons are confined in the Louisville jail on the charge of murder, and six others indicted for the same crime are now on bail. This is a bad showing for Louisville.

The Legislature of Maine authorized the annual collection and printing of statistical details relating to the manufacturing, mining, commercial, and industrial interests of that State.

A St. Louis constable levied upon the dinner prepared for one of the hotels, and 150 hungry guests, against whom he barred the doors of the dining-room, are loud in their denunciations of him.

Trinity College boys are manifesting much interest in boating, this Spring, and have already organized three crews, it being understood that the Faculty will pay for a trainer to fit a crew for entering the national regatta.

The Rochester *Express* says: "Grace Greenwood writes the best letters that come from Washington. They are first published in THE NEW-YORK TIMES, and then usually republished in half the papers in the country."

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Chamberlain, of Salem, Mass., who have occupied the same house forty-one years, celebrated their golden wedding Monday, and the two ladies who acted as bridesmaids fifty years ago were both present.

A Boston boy, who had been whipped by his father, lay down upon a railroad-track in front of a train. The engineer had time to stop the train before reaching him, and, fortid here, the boy threw himself into a brook, whence he was rescued.

The Elmira *Advertiser* complains of a merciless clergyman who lately drove a five-year-old mare from his home in Jefferson County, to his father's house in Huron, Wayne County, a distance of ninety-two miles, in ten hours and a half.

Ex-Gov. Wm. T. Minor, in his letter accepting the Republican nomination for Congress in the Fourth District of Connecticut, says that, in his judgment, the back-salary grab by the last Congress is "the most alarming as well as the most immoral act ever carried into effect by any legislative body in this country."

A Pennsylvania woman, who leaped upward to hang an article of clothing upon a hook in the ceiling of her kitchen, caught a ring on one of her fingers in the hook, and hung there, her feet not touching the floor. Her cries brought assistance, and she was released, painfully wrenched, but not seriously harmed.

The Minneapolis (Minn.) *Tribune* is opposed to hanging murderers, and recommends that electricity be used, or, if this be impracticable, that a surgeon-general be appointed in each State, who shall prescribe some effective poison and suggest the best and least painful method of administering it to condemned criminals.

During the absence of the family, a large, rough man walked into the kitchen of a house in Chelsea, Mass., and, accosting the servant girl, demanded supper and money. The girl went to the closet, as if to get him food, caught up a huge carving-knife, faced the fellow, and ordered him to leave the house instantly. He slunk out, and, fastening the door behind him, she fainted.

The St. Louis Chief of Police has received a letter from a Wisconsin town, which reads: "Tell Catherine French, from Racine, Wis., who lives at her sister's at St. Louis, that she should immediately proceed to Racine, with all she's got, money and all. Tell all the girls in all the blocks in the city to let her know of this, so that she will come without failure. The Imperial Prince awaits for her here, who wants to see her and will probably make her his wife."

THE WEATHER.

Synopsis and Probabilities.

WASHINGTON, March 28—1 A. M.—The storm centre that was Wednesday night over Maine, has been followed on Thursday by rising barometer, north-west winds, and generally clear weather. The winds in the Middle States backed to southerly over the lower lakes, and to south-east over Virginia, with generally clear weather. Easterly winds are now reported from the South Atlantic States, and south-east winds from the Gulf States and Ohio Valley. The barometer has fallen very generally over the lake region and the Mississippi Valley, the lowest pressure being now central in Iowa. Brisk southerly winds prevail in Missouri and easterly winds over Minnesota. Cloudy weather with rain or snow apparently continues over the country between Oregon and the Mississippi Valley.

PROBABILITIES.

On Friday, the area of lowest barometer will move north-eastward over Lake Huron; for the lower lakes and Ohio Valley, falling barometer, increasing south-east winds, veering to south-west, and generally cloudy weather; for the Gulf and South Atlantic States, south and south-east winds, falling barometer, and increasing cloudiness, with probably rain on the Gulf coast; a second storm centre develope on the Middle Atlantic, with north-east winds, but south-east winds and rising temperature very generally prevail in the Middle States; for New-England, falling barometer by Friday afternoon, with south-westerly winds and rising temperature.

Snow Blockade on New-Hampshire Railroads.

CONCORD, N. H., March 27.—The storm of yesterday proved very severe for railroads in the northern part of this State. No train has arrived here to-day over the Montreal Road, being blocked by snow near Plymouth. Trains were delayed on the Northern and Sugar River Railroads, the latter being effectually blocked again this afternoon by snow blowing on the track.

Train Delayed by the Snow.

WATERVILLE, Me., March 27.—A very heavy wind last night and to-day caused the snow to drift badly. The Western-bound passenger-train from Skowhegan, due here at 10½ A. M., got stuck in a drift between Somerset Mills and Fairfield. At 3 P. M. two engines and a plow left to assist them.

PORTLAND, Me., March 27.—The Bangor train is two hours late, and the Montreal train will be detained until midnight by a train being off the track at Gorham. The roads are all badly impeded by ice and snow.

City Meteorological Report.

The following record will show the changes in the temperature, yesterday, with the average for the same, as indicated by the thermometer at Dickinson's drug-store, No. 8 Park-row: 6 A. M., 30°; 8 A. M., 29½°; 9 A. M., 28°; 12 M., 29½°; 3 P. M., 35½°; 6 P. M., 30°; 9 P. M., 30½°; 12 P. M., 30°. Average temperature yesterday, 29½°.

THE CHARTER CRITICISED.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

THE TIMES having frequently referred to efforts which I have made before the Senate committee to relieve the pending charter of imperfections and pernicious provisions, I venture to hope you will give place to this letter, which has the same object in view. Much the larger number of the numerous amendments I proposed were adopted by the committee, and had the committee been left to its own good sense, unperplexed by partisan schemers and persistent intriguers, I doubt not the charter would have come from their hands in a much more creditable shape. I do not propose any general discussion, but merely to call attention to some evidences of a carelessness which, perhaps, it is not too late to correct, and to give some infidelities to public principle and duty which, if unredeemed, will be an abiding dishonor to this Legislature. And, for example of carelessness:

1. Section six provides that, so far as applicable, the provisions of law relating to the canvass and estimates of votes at general elections, except certain specified laws, shall apply to the election of aldermen and their assistants; but section 109, flatly contradicting section six, says that all provisions of law shall apply to such canvass and estimate.

2. The last sentence of section 121 is in this enigmatical language, which requires a wiser commentary than I can make to enable any one but its authors to understand it, viz:

"No subordinate in any department whose salary shall be fixed by the Board of Police at a sum not exceeding $10,000, shall receive a greater salary than the highest salary paid to the head of the department, except the Superintendents of the Police, whose salary shall not exceed $10,000."

3. Section 30, in two consecutive sentences, has such tautological absurdity as this, viz.: "In every case of a removal the true grounds thereof shall be forthwith entered upon the records of the department or board. In case of a removal, a statement showing the reason therefor shall be filed in the department." The last sentence is of course worse than useless; except that, with the other examples, it shows the great need that there is that the wisdom and vision of Senators should be for a few hours at least withdrawn from patronage and place-seekers, and fixed upon the bill before them.

4. But these matters are as nothing compared with great principles spurned and public demands neglected. Of course I refer to the Mayor's right of nominations, to Spring elections, to the general prayer to be relieved of Assistant Aldermen; but I also refer to other great principles of reform which are in danger of being rejected. The following are among those contained in the unadopted portions of my amendments:

One of them was this: "That the Mayor and heads of departments are hereby authorized and required to devise and put in practice, so far as may be found practicable and useful, rules of civil service reform on the theory now being enforced by the President of the United States, for improving the intelligence, honesty, and efficiency of the clerical force of the City Government."

I venture to predict that not many years will elapse before Senators and party leaders who have co-operated to defeat such a moderate introduction of a great reform, will regret their partisan and unstatesmanlike action. It is a disgrace to the Republican Party to be found unequal to the duty of such an occasion. And what is to be said of those who, while standing as the official representatives of the President, refuse to allow the rules to be applied in the City Hall which he compels them to enforce in the Custom-house and other national offices in the City? They cannot certainly be accused of inconsistency; for to refuse to have character and intelligence, rather than partisan servility, made qualifications for clerkships and promotions, is quite in harmony with farming departments for great party hacks, and opening the seats of criminal justice to ignorant demagogues.

And here is another proposed amendment rejected, I judge, in the same spirit, viz.:

"That it shall be a misdemeanor to demand, receive, or pay any tax, assessment, or percentage, of, or on the part of, any municipal officer, clerk, or employe, for or on account of the compensation payable from the City, or of the office or place held by such person."

We know that every party has heretofore made such collections of all City officers, clerks, and employes, for party purposes, and that the effect has been in every way demoralizing. Salaries have been increased and places have been multiplied by the party leaders for the very purpose of increasing these partisan exactions at the people's expense. I had hoped that the Republican Party would rise to the level of the higher public opinion, and set a noble example of justice and self-denial. But, unless wiser counsels shall prevail, it will not reap the honor and strength of such an example. Half the credit its due for reducing salaries and places under the new charter, will be lost for the want of the courage and wisdom needed to crush out this mercenary element from municipal politics, by adopting this provision.

I can refer to but one other rejected amendment, and that related to the taxation of property devoted to religion and charity. While doing justice to all kinds of unsectarian charity and benevolence, it placed the whole on a clear basis of principle and justice. The section on the subject (the 108th) is inadequate in several ways; is indefinite in meaning, and will do great injustice. Whether its effect is fully understood by its framers, is, perhaps, more than I am entitled to doubt. Do they really mean to repeal the law which exempts $1,500 of the real estate of every clergyman from taxation? Do they mean to tax that property in the City where it is exempted elsewhere in the State? Do they mean that while every rich church shall have its splendid edifice exempted, every poor church shall pay taxes, because it is compelled to rent a portion of its house of worship? Can they tell what they mean by making Church exemptions to depend on its property being "actively and exclusively" so occupied for religious worship? Do they intend that all property devoted to dispensaries, mission schools and the like unincorporated and most useful charities shall be taxed merely because they are not incorporated? Do they intend to exempt all such property from assessments as well as taxation?

Yet such will be among the unfortunate effects of this new piece of legislation. I presume not a clergyman in the City is aware that this charter will deprive his property of, and, perhaps, his church and church charities, that exemption from taxation which the revised statutes have so long secured him, and it will be a blunder as well as a calamity if the Republican Party shall, while legislating for party, inaugurate measures of hostility to charity, benevolence, and religion. Your obedient servant,

D. B. EATON.

No. 2 EAST TWENTY-NINTH-STREET, Thursday, March 26.

The Bank of England Forgeries.

In Supreme Court, Chambers, yesterday, Judge Pancher made an order appointing Nathaniel Jarvis, Jr., already the receiver in the case of Macdonnell, receiver in the case of George Bidwell, alias G. C. Bronell. An attachment was also granted against the property of the same defendant. This is to authorize the receiver to take possession of the package of bonds which came through the Post-office.

Another Chicago Story.

In the brief absence of any very startling news having some foundation in fact, the Chicago *Times* publishes a long and circumstantial statement of an extraordinary experiment alleged to have been made by an ex-surgeon of the Prussian army, named Louis Shultz, now residing in that city, by which, it is asserted, he has demonstrated the ability not only of his dog but his infant son to live and move under water with as little apparent inconvenience as experienced by amphibia. The writer asserts that he has himself seen the boy, now scarcely six months old, enter a large bath-tub, filled up especially for the purpose, and, diving to the bottom, remain there for several minutes, picking up bits of candy thrown into the water by the father. The dog appears, from the account given, to be scarcely the equal of the child, notwithstanding that Schultz, with commendable consideration, began his experiments with the canine. The mother of the boy, it is stated, is not at all pleased with the experiment upon her offspring, and expresses a desire that the authorities should put a stop to it.

OBITUARY.

The Countess Guiccioli.

A cable dispatch from Rome informs us of the decease of the Countess Guiccioli. It is just forty-six years since "the most celebrated Englishman of the nineteenth century" breathed his last at Missolonghi. Were he living to-day, Byron would be nearing eighty-five, and naturally the number of his surviving contemporaries is becoming very small. Four years ago, the last eminent man among the poet's intimate friends passed to his rest in the person of Lord Broughton, better known as Sir John Cam Hobhouse, and a few weeks ago we recorded the death at a patriarchal age of another eminent man whose name recalled vividly and painfully passages in the life of the poet—Dr. Lushington. And now the telegraph tells us that the grave has closed over a lady whose name will ever be associated with that of Byron. The Countess Guiccioli seems so entirely to belong to another period of history, that had she not revived the recollection of her existence by the work she published a year or two since, most people would probably have concluded her to be dead years ago. Byron left England, determined never to return to the country which had bestowed upon him all the good things of this life, in 1815. In November, 1816, he took up his abode at Venice, and abandoned himself to a life of combined intellectual exertion and profligate pleasure. It was about a year after his arrival there that he became intimate with the Countess Guiccioli, and, however reprehensible may have been the relationship between them, there is, at all events, this to be said for it, that so far as he was concerned it it caused him to exchange common debauchery for a genuine and exclusive attachment to a gifted woman. Of Roman origin, the Countess, then very young, had really been compelled to make a marriage of *convenance* with an elderly man, little agreeable to her; and it is scarcely to be wondered at if, under these circumstances, and having regard to the conventional immorality of Italy at that time, she surrendered to the fascinations of the only man who Mme. de Staël, after large experience, said ever came up to her ideal of a poet. When, a few months after their first acquaintance, Count de Guiccioli left Venice for Ravenna, the separation from Byron so seriously affected the Countess' health that the poet presently rejoined her. Before long she consented to abandon her husband for him; this step, however, was followed, after a few months, by a reconciliation with the Count, but on the Countess again becoming seriously ill, her father and mother summoned her lover and he took up his abode in the house. At length the Count Guiccioli obtained from the Pope a decree of separation from his wife, and his daughter retired to her father's house, where, thenceforth, Byron only saw her at long intervals. Apart from her place in Byron's biography, the Countess Guiccioli's career has no interest for the public, nor did the work she published in exoneration of the poet's character substantially serve that end—indeed, coming from such a source, the person must have been sanguine who anticipated that it would so result.

Amedee-Simon-Dominique Thierry.

A telegram from Paris announces the death of Amédée-Simon-Dominique Thierry, a celebrated French author and historian. M. Thierry was born at Blois on the 3d of August, in the year 1797, and being educated for a schoolmaster, subsequently devoted himself to literature. Among his earlier efforts were several articles in the *Revue Encyclopédique*. His greatest work, *L'Histoire des Gaulois*, was published in 1828, and was the means of securing for him the Chair of History in the Academy of Besançon; but his ultra Liberalism afterward lost him the post. After the revolution of July, 1830, he was appointed Prefect of the Haute-Saône, and he introduced a number of important reforms into that department of France. Among his most splendid works may be mentioned *Récits de la Conquête Saxonne*, *Lettres sur l'Histoire Romaine*, *Récits d'Histoire Romaine*, and *Histoire d'Attila et de ses Successeurs*. M. Thierry was made a member of the French Institute in 1834, and in May, 1840, became an officer of the Legion of Honor, subsequently being promoted Commander, and was made Senator on the 15th of January, 1860. He was a brother of the late eminent historian Jacques Nicolas Augustin Thierry, and was aged seventy-six.

Ex-Senator James Dixon.

James Dixon, United States Senator from Connecticut from 1857 to 1869, died at his residence in Hartford, in that State, yesterday afternoon, aged fifty-eight years. He had been in feeble health for a number of months, being afflicted with disease of the heart. Ex-Senator Dixon was born in Enfield, Conn., on the 5th of August, 1814, and graduated at Williams College, Massachusetts, in 1834. He adopted the law as his profession, and was early an aspirant for political honors, his first appearance in public life being as a member of the lower House of the Connecticut Legislature in the year 1837. He was re-elected in 1838, and also in 1844, afterward serving in the State Senate in 1849 and 1854. He represented his district in Congress from 1845 to 1849. In 1857 he was elected to the United States Senate, and at the expiration of his first term in 1863, he was re-elected, finally retiring from public life in 1869. Mr. Dixon was essentially a Conservative, though he acted with the Republican Party for a number of years. In 1866 he was a delegate to the Philadelphia Convention, since which time he has been virtually out of political life.

Rear-Admiral John B. Montgomery, United States Navy.

The Navy Department announces the death of Rear-Admiral John B. Montgomery, which occurred at Carlisle, Penn., on the 25th inst. This officer was a native of New-Jersey, and was appointed midshipman from that State June 4, 1813. He was a midshipman on board of the flag-ship Niagara in the victory of Lake Erie, in September, 1814. He commanded the Boston Navy-yard in 1840, and the sloop-of-war Portsmouth, in the Pacific Squadron, from 1845 to 1848. He was commissioned captain in 1853, and was in command of the Pacific Squadron in 1860 and 1861. He was placed in charge of the Boston Navy-yard from 1862 to 1863, and was promoted to the rank of commodore in 1862. He was commissioned as rear-admiral July 25, 1866, and commanded the naval station at Sackett's Harbor from 1867 to 1869. At the time of his death he was on the retired list. His remains will be taken to Washington for interment.

Western Farmers Preparing to Resist Usurpation.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 27.—A special dispatch from Peoria, Ill., says the farmers in that section are organising for war against the railroads. A meeting was held there to-day, which adopted a resolution declaring that the farmers intended to prosecute a war on the railroad corporations until farmers' rights are recognised and respected.

A permanent organization was effected, and a feeling of earnestness and determination was manifested.

Fatal Leap Out of a Window.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 27.—George Leffingwell, of Norwich, Conn., who has been visiting his brother in this city, this afternoon, in a fit of aberration, jumped from a second-story window, and received injuries which soon proved fatal. He was fifty-one years of age, and of high character.

Kansas Farmers' Convention.

TOPEKA, Kansas, March 27.—At the State Farmers' Convention held here yesterday, a permanent organization was effected, and plans discussed for placing farmers on the same footing with other classes of citizens. To-day resolutions were adopted in favor of an organization of the producing classes, and recommending farmers all over the country to become members of some local farmers' club. It was also resolved that the taxes charged on the people by the national, State, and local governments are oppressive and unjust, and far beyond the needs of an economical administration of governmental affairs; that the tariff laws of the United States should be so amended as to place salt and lumber on the free list; that railroad freights and fares should be limited by law to a just and fair sum; that the practice of voting municipal bonds is pernicious in its effect, and calculated to bring bankruptcy and ruin on the people; that giving banks a monopoly of the nation's currency, thereby compelling the people to pay enormous rates of interest, seven-tenths of which is collected from farmers, is but little less than legalized robbery.

A preamble was adopted setting forth the wants and needs of the farming and industrial class, and pledging themselves, in the accomplishment of their desires, to ignore all political influence and prejudices and to support only such men for office as are known to be true to the farmers' interests.

In the evening a permenent State organization was effected, to be known as the Farmers' Co-operative Association, and having subordinate associations in each county in the State. The session lasted until a late hour at night, and was one of the most enthusiastic meetings ever held in the State. At 11 o'clock P. M. the Convention adjourned.

THE THREATENED STRIKES.

The Carpenters, Masons, and Waiters—The Latest Movements.

A committee of six, of which Mr. J. R. Voorhis is chairman, from the boss-carpenters, and a committee of eight, of which Mr. John Nolan, of the United Order of American Carpenters, is chairman, held a conference last evening in the Medical College, corner of Twenty-third-street and Fourth-avenue, for the purpose, if possible, of settling, without resorting to a strike, the difficulties existing between the employers and the men. The conference was secret, but it was understood that three of the committee of employers were in favor of eight hours, while the remainder stood out for having the men paid by the hour, and allowing them to work as many or as few hours as they pleased. To this, of course, the committee from the carpenters' unions would not agree. After being in session for over two hours, the committees were unable to arrive at any definite conclusion, and agreed to meet again on Thursday next, when, it is thought, an understanding of some kind will be reached.

A delegation from the stone-masons waited on the brick-layers last evening in reference to the action of the contractors on the Fourth-avenue improvement, he employing men to work ten hours at less than the Union rates. The masons were promised the aid of the brick-layers in any action they may take. The masons claim that as part of the Fourth-avenue improvement is to be done at the cost of the City, it is the duty of the Aldermen to see that the men employed work only eight hours, which, according to the laws of the State of New-York, is a legal day's work. The Mayor and Aldermen will be waited on concerning the matter by a committee in which will be represented every trade organization in the City of New-York.

Delegations from the Gas-men's Union are busily engaged in organizing, so that when the demand for eight hours is made it will be unanimous. The Superintendent of the New-York Gas Works told a reporter, yesterday, that he had no intimation from any of the men of a strike.

It was rumored yesterday that the waiters employed in the various hotels and restaurants of the City contemplated a strike for higher wages. Inquirers were made in the Astor House, the St. Nicholas, Metropolitan, Grand Central, and other hotels, and the rumor was generally discredited. If a strike is to be made, the movement has been kept secret, and hotel and restaurant proprietors are entirely ignorant of any such intentions on the part of their employes. About five or six years ago waiters received $14 per month for their services. This sum was considered too small, and they demanded more pay, and their employers, in response, agreed to pay them $20. The men worked for this amount for two years, and feeling that they were still underpaid, asked for more. After some hesitation their employers, concluding that the demand was just, increased the rate of pay to $26 per month. These wages did not suit them, and a third strike was made, which resulted in a rise to $30 per month. In the month of June, 1869, the waiters of the City were banded together in a prosperous society, which bore the title of the "Waiter's Benevolent Protective Association." The society has enjoyed the patronage of leading hotel proprietors and the guests of the hotels, and had accumulated several thousands of dollars in its treasury from dues paid by members, and the receipts of annual balls. The society exercised an espionage over all waiters hired by hotel and restaurant keepers, and those already employed by the latter refused to work in company with non-society men. The proprietors submitted to the society regulation, and the waiters, becoming emboldened by this concession, resolved to strike again for higher wages. They announced their intention to their employers, and gave them three weeks to consider it. This time, however, the tables are turned, the employers availing themselves of the timely notice, filling the waiters' places with boys, and others, to attend table. The strikers held out for five weeks, and failing to obtain their terms, they again sought employment from their old employers, but were met with refusals in most cases. In view of this and other facts, it is believed that the waiters of New-York will not readily strike again, as they have seen that unskilled labor is easily supplied.

Providence Printing Cloth Market.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 27.—Printing Cloths quiet; moderate sales at 5c. 64-72s. for standard; 7½c. 64-72s. for extra 64 squares, contracts and spots.

The Lycoming Insurance Company, of Muncy, Penn.

This worthy incorporation, which, under the skillful and prudent management of Messrs. J. W. Chamberlain & Co., has become such a general favorite, and has achieved a great success in our midst, has recently changed its New-York head-quarters, they being now at No. 150 Broadway. The "Lycoming" has earned an enviable reputation here, not only from the prompt and liberal manner in which its losses have been adjusted and paid, but from the agreeable manner in which all its business is transacted. It has extensive pecuniary resources, and is thus enabled to afford absolute security to its patrons.—*Evening Commercial.*

Russia is most rigorously protective in her policy with respect to home manufactures. But Fairbanks' Scales have forced the barriers by the sheer force of superior merit, and are now largely used in the Empire.—*Exchange.*

To Dress the Hair Beautifully, BURNETT'S COCOAINE.—*Advertisement.*

THE SEMI-WEEKLY TIMES.

THE NEW-YORK SEMI-WEEKLY TIMES, published THIS MORNING, contains the very latest telegraphic and general news; editorials on matters of current interest; a page of carefully-prepared commercial matter, giving

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

The market at the Exchange yesterday, Thursday, March 27, although active in appearance, was, in fact, dull, for but comparatively a small portion of the real estate offered was disposed of; business, just at the present time, is in a peculiar state, and but little doing in any branch. We look for an improvement next week, however, with the important sales to occur; but should the contrary be the case, no real activity need be hoped for until next Fall. The following is a review of the proceedings at the Exchanges yesterday:

Muller, Wilkins & Co. sold, by order of executrix, the three-story marble-front house and lot—latter 16.10 by about 100—No. 112 West Thirty-first-street, south side, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, for $15,500, the purchaser being R. Bernhard. The foreclosure sale of two stores and lots, Nos. 104 and 106 Chambers-street, north-west corner Church-street, did not take place, the legal proceedings concerning the disposition of the property having been settled. The two stores and lots, Nos. 207 and 209 West-street, between Spring and Charlton streets, were offered and knocked down as one parcel for $28,000, but not sold, and the two lots on West Fifty-third-street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, shared the same fate, one being knocked down for $6,000 and the other for $10,300.

A. J. Bleecker, Son & Co. sold, at public auction, disposed of the three-story brick house and lot, No. 124 West Twenty-fourth-street, south side, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, (lot 16.8 by ⅝ block,) for $30,250; purchaser, M. Pastor. Messrs. Bleecker & Co. also offered for sale, in one parcel, two full lots adjoining the above, with a four-story and a three-story high brick house thereon, known respectively as Nos. 126 and 128 West Twenty-fourth-street, together with two full lots in the rear, with three-story brick houses thereon, known as Nos. 123 and 125 West Twenty-third-street, which whole property was knocked down for $118,000, but, as we are informed, not sold.

The sales in charge of Dingee, Porter & Co., resulted as follows: One frame house and lot, No. 46 West One Hundred and Thirty-second-street, south side, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, knocked down for $3,400; one brown-stone house and lot, on East One Hundred and Twentieth-street, south side, 119.6 feet east of Second-avenue, knocked down for $13,500; two brown-stone front houses and lots, on One Hundred and Twentieth-street, adjoining above, without ⅔; one frame house and lot, on Avenue A, west side, 50.5 feet north of One Hundred and Fourteenth-street, knocked down for $3,500; four lots, on Avenue A, five of corner of One Hundred and Thirteenth-street, knocked down for $2,875 each; and six lots on Avenue A, east side, adjoining above, and forming the balance of the block front, withdrawn. In none of the above instances, as we understand, were real sales effected.

Hugh N. Camp, at an executor's sale, by order of the executor of the estate of Mrs. Laura Johnson, deceased, sold the following Brooklyn property: Plot of land, 77.6 by 200, forming the northerly half of the block bounded by Clinton, Gates, Vanderbilt, and Fulton avenues, with a two-story and attic brick house, 40 by 40, and a brick stable thereon, sold for $41,000 to J. H. Taft. This sale concluded the day's business.

Concerning the sale held on Saturday by Wm. Kenelly, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, of the buildings and parts of buildings on Broadway, between Thirty-fourth and Fifty-ninth streets, required to be removed by the proposed widening of that thoroughfare between the streets named, particulars will be found in another column.

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RATES OF PASSAGE.

CABIN, $85 and $100, gold, according to accommodations. Round trip tickets at low rates.

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ST. LAURENT.....SAMARIA, Saturday, April 5
VILLE DU HAVRE.....SUNOT, Saturday, April 19
LABRADOR.....Saturday, April 26

RATES OF PASSAGE TO HAVRE, including wine:
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Passengers booked to the principal cities in France, Switzerland, Germany, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Madeira, Mediterranean ports, China, Japan, Australia, &c., at moderate rates.

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GEORGE MACKENZIE, Agent, No. 15 Broadway.

ANCHOR LINE.

EXPRESS STEAMERS SAIL FROM PIER NO. 20, NORTH RIVER, NEW-YORK.

VICTORIA, Capt. Mac. ANCHUSA.....Sat., April 5
CAPTAIN, Capt. CUTHBERT.....April 12
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NEW AND FULL-POWERED STEAM-SHIPS, sailing from New-York on SATURDAYS, from Liverpool on THURSDAYS, calling at Cork Harbor each way.

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THE LIVERPOOL AND GREAT WESTERN STEAM COMPANY will dispatch one of their first-class full-power iron screw steam-ships from PIER NO. 46 NORTH RIVER, EVERY WEDNESDAY,

as follows:

NEVADA, Capt. FORSYTH.....April 2, at 6 A. M.
WYOMING, Capt. PRICE.....April 9, at 7 A. M.
IDAHO, Capt. MCGREGOR.....April 16, at 8 A. M.
MINNESOTA, Capt. FREEMAN.....April 23, at 9 A. M.
MANHATTAN, Capt. PRICE, Jr.....April 30, at 10 A. M.
WISCONSIN, Capt. W. FREEMAN.....May 7, at 11 A. M.

Cabin passage, $80, gold.

Steerage passage, (Office No. 29 Broadway,) $30, currency.

For freight or cabin passage apply to WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 29 Wall-st.

GREAT WESTERN

STEAM-SHIP LINE.

NEW-YORK TO BRISTOL, (Ens.)—DIRECT.

Taking goods and passengers for London, Cardiff, Newport, Gloucester, and all ports in Bristol Channel.

THE FIRST OF THIS LINE STEAMERS SAIL FROM PIER NO. 18 EAST RIVER, as follows:

GREAT WESTERN, STAMPER.....Wed'day, April 23
ARAGON, WESTERN.....Wed'day, May 17

Cabin passage, $80 currency. Steerage, $30 currency.

Parties wishing to send for their families can obtain prepaid certificates. Drafts for £1 and upward, for freight or passage, apply to

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No. 7 South-st., New-York.

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CENTRAL RAILROAD OF GEORGIA AND ATLANTIC AND GULF RAILROAD.

TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS AND SATURDAYS.

THE STEAM-SHIP

HUNTSVILLE, Capt. CROWELL, SATURDAY, March 29, from Pier No. 13 North River, at 3 P. M.

R. LOWDEN, Agent,
No. 23 West-st.

SAN SALVADOR, Capt. NICKERSON, SATURDAY, March 29, from Pier No. 8 North River, at 4 P. M.

WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green.

LEO, Capt. DEARBORN, TUESDAY, April 1, from Pier No. 16 East River, at 3 P. M.

MURRAY, FERRIS & CO., Agents,
No. 62 South-st.

GENERAL BARNES, Capt. MALLORY, THURSDAY, April 3, from Pier No. 8 North River, at 3 P. M.

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FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL,

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REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 23d of every month.

MERRIMACK, Capt. WEIR.....April 23
SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. THORLEAUGH.....May 23
ONTARIO, Capt. BLAGUE.....June 23

These splendid steamers call on schedule time, and sail at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia, and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagements of freight or passage, apply to

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DIRECT LINE TO HAVANA.

HAVANA, PROGRESO AND VERA CRUZ.

New-York and Mexican Mail Steam-ship Line, leaving Pier 3 N. River, at 3 P. M., every Thursday.

CITY OF MERIDA, (Havana, via Nassau).....April 3
CITY OF MEXICO, (Havana and Mexico).....April 10
CITY OF HAVANA, (Havana only).....April 17
CITY OF MERIDA.....April 24

For freight or passage apply to

F. ALEXANDER & SONS, No. 33 Broadway.

SHIPPING.

NEW-YORK TO CARDIFF.

The South Wales Atlantic Steam-ship Company's New First-class Full-powered Clyde-built Steam-ships

WILL SAIL FROM PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD WHARF, JERSEY CITY.

PEMBROKE.....April 12
GLAMORGAN.....May 3
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First Cabin.....$75 and $80 currency
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Steerage.....30 currency

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For farther particulars apply, in Cardiff at the Company's offices, No. 1 Dock Chambers—and in New-York, to

ARCHIBALD BAXTER & CO., Agents,
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PACIFIC MAIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY'S LINE TO

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CARRYING MAILS, PASSENGERS, AND FREIGHT TO

ASPINWALL, PANAMA, SANTA MARTHA, GREYTOWN, AND PACIFIC COAST OF MEXICO, CENTRAL AMERICA, PERU, AND CHILI.

April 5.—Steamer RISING STAR, Capt. S. P. GRIFFIN, will leave Pier No. 42 North River at 12 o'clock noon for Aspinwall direct, connecting at Panama with the steamer CONSTITUTION, Capt. MORSE, touching at Acapulco, Manzanillo, Mazatlan; also connecting for all Central American and South Pacific ports. Departures of 10th and 20th each month connect with the Company's steamer touching at San Benito, Tonala, Salina Cruz, and Port Angel.

Steamer ALASKA will leave San Francisco April 1, 1873, for Japan and China. For rates of passage, freight, and all further information apply at Company's office on the pier, foot of Canal-st.

F. R. BABY, Agent.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—Postponement of sailing—Steamer RISING STAR, will leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Aspinwall, at 12 o'clock noon, SATURDAY, April 5.

Steamer OCEAN QUEEN will follow and sail April 19, 1873.

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JAMES ADGER, Capt. T. J. LOCKWOOD, Tuesday, March 25.

GEORGIA, Capt. CROWELL, Thursday, March 27.

MANHATTAN, Capt. M. S. WOODHULL, Saturday, March 29.

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Through freight tariffs. Passage tickets by all routes and to all points in the South or South-west, and further information can be obtained at the office of

BENTLEY D. HASELL,
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ATLAS STEAM-SHIP COMP'Y

UNITED STATES MAIL LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE TO
JAMAICA, VENEZUELA, WEST INDIES, AND SPANISH MAIN.

The Company's first-class iron steamers will be dispatched (unless prevented by unforeseen circumstances) with the mails, as under:

The steam-ship CLARIBEL, Capt. BAYLEY, for Turk's Island, Kingston, and Savanilla, will sail on March 29.

Loading berth, Pier No. 12, N. R. For freight or passage apply to PIM, FORWOOD & CO., Agents,
No. 56 Wall-st.

UNITED STATES PASSPORT BUREAU.—United States passports, indispensable to travelers, issued by J. B. MONES, Passport Agent, No. 91 Duane-st., corner Broadway.

UNITED STATES PASSPORT BUREAU.—American citizens requiring passports will apply to THOMAS SADLER, Notary Public and Commissioner, No. 8 Broad-st., New-York.

RAILROADS.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

Trains leave New-York, from foot of Desbrosses and Cortlandt sts., as follows:

Express for Harrisburg, Pittsburg, the West and South, at 12 noon, Baltimer Palace Cars attached, 9:30 A. M., 3, 7, and 8:30 P. M., Sunday, 3, 7, 8:30 P. M.

For Baltimore, Washington, and the South at 9 A. M., 4 P. M., Sunday, 4 P.M.

For Philadelphia, 5, 8, 9:30 A. M., 12:30, 1, 4, 5, 6, 8:30, 11 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday, 4, 8:30, and 11 P. M.

For Philadelphia, via Kensington, at 7 A. M. and 3 P. M.

Emigrant and second class, 7:15 P. M.

For Newark at 6, 8:30, 7:40, 8, 8:15, 9, 10, 11, 11:40 A. M., 12, 1, 2:30, 3, 4, 4:30, 5, 5:30, 6, 6:30, 7, 8, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30, 11:30 P. M. Sunday, 8:30, 9:30, 10, 11:30, 12 P. M.

For Elizabeth, 6, 8:30, 7:40, 8, 8:15, 9, 10, 11, 11:40 A. M., 12, 1, 2:30, 3, 4, 4:30, 5, 5:30, 6, 6:30, 7, 8, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30, 11:30 P. M. Sunday, 8:30, 9:30, 10, 11:30, 12 P. M.

For Rahway, 6, 8:30, 7:40, 8, 8:15, 9, 10, 11, 11:40 A. M., 12, 1, 2:30, 3, 4, 4:30, 5, 5:30, 6, 6:30, 7, 8, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30, 11:30 P. M. Sunday, 8:30, 9:30, 10, 11:30, 12 P. M.

For Perth Amboy, 6, 8:30, 7:40, 8, 8:15, 9, 10, 11, 11:40 A. M., 12, 1, 2:30, 3, 4, 4:30, 5, 5:30, 6, 6:30, 7, 8, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30, 11:30 P. M. Sunday, 8:30, 9:30, 10, 11:30, 12 P. M.

For South Amboy, 8:30 A. M., 4:30 P. M. Sunday, 8:30 A. M.

For Bordentown, 7, 10 A. M., 12 M., 1, 3, 4:10, 5:30, 6:30, 8:30 P. M. Sunday, 7 A. M. and 4:10 P. M.

For Burlington, 7, 10 A. M., 12 M., 1, 3, 4:10, 5:30, 6:30, 8:30 P. M. Sunday, 7 A. M. and 4:10 P. M.

For Mount Holly, 7, 10 A. M., 12 M., 1, 3, 4:10, 5:30, 6:30, 8:30 P. M. Sunday, 7 A. M. and 4:10 P. M.

For Lambertville and Flemington, 9 A. M. and 3 P. M.

For Philadelphia and Reviere, 4 and 4:7 P. M.

For Intermediate for Somerville, Barrington, and Camden, 7 and 10 A. M., 1, 4:10, 5:30, 6:30 and 8:30 P. M.

For Freehold, 7 A. M. and 4:10 P. M.

For Jamesburg, Pemberton, Camden, 9 A. M., 3:40 P. M.

Trains arrive as follows: From Pittsburg, 6:30 A. M., 1:20 P. M., daily; Mail A. M. and 3:07 P. M., daily, except Monday; from Washington and Baltimore, 2:40, 6:10, 10:15 A. M., 12:30, 3:40, 6:10, 10:30 P. M. Sunday, 2:40, 6:10, 10:30 P. M.; from Philadelphia, 2:40, 4:10, 6:10, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30, 11:30 A. M., 12:30, 1:30, 2:30, 3:30, 4:10, 5:30, 6:30, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30, 11:30 P. M. Sunday, 2:40, 4:10, 6:10, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30, 11:30 A. M., 12:30, 1:30, 2:30, 3:30, 4:10, 5:30, 6:30, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30, 11:30 P. M. From Jamesburg, 10:30 A. M. Freight arrives at Jersey City, foot of Desbrosses and Cortlandt sts. Emigrant Ticket Office, No. 2 Astor-place.

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NEW-YORK AND HARLEM RAILWAY.

CHANGE OF ARRANGEMENT, taking effect Dec. 2, 1872.

Passenger depots foot Cortlandt and Desbrosses sts. as follows:

For Harlem, New-Durham and Maywood—7, 9:10, 10:40 A. M.; 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, and 11:30 P. M.

For Hackensack, Paterson, Hawthorne, Midland Park, and Greenbrook—7, 9:10, 10:50 A. M.; 1, 3:30, 5:30, 6:30, 11:30 P. M.

For Ridgefield Park, Bogota, Hasbrouck, Dundee Lake, Market Street, and Riverside—7, 10:40 A. M.; 1, 4:30, 6:30, 11:30 P. M.

For Secaucus, Compton, and Montclair Junction—7, 9:10, 10:50 A. M.; 3:30, 4:30, 5:30 P. M.

For Campgaw, Oakland, Bloomingdale, and West Bloomingdale—7, 9:10, 10:50 A. M.; 4:30, 5:30 P. M.

For Smith Mills, Char ottesburg, Stockholm, Sunfrom, Ogdensburg, and Quarryville—7, 9:10 A. M., 4:30 P. M.

For New-Foundland, Franklin, Hamburg, Decker-town, Unionville, West Town, Johnson, Slate Hill, Middletown, and Bloomingburg—7, 9:10 A. M.; 3:30, 4:30 P. M.

For Pine Bush, Hunisboro, Fallsburg, Monticello, Liberty Falls, and Ellenville—9:10 A. M.; 3:30 P. M.

Returning, leave Liberty Falls at 8:35 A. M., 1:25 P. M.; Ellenville, 7:42 A. M., 2:18 P. M.; Middletown, 6, 9:45 A. M., 3:30 P. M.; Bloomingdale, 7, 6:20 A. M., 2, 6:04 P. M.; Worcesterville, 6:25, 8:40, 9:37, 4:06, 6:36, 10:50 P. M.; Paterson, 5:43, 6:47, 7:54, 9:19, 11:38 A. M., 2:07, 4:34, 7:15, 11:12 P. M.

Arrive in New-York at 6:05, 8, 10:30 A. M.; 12:50, 4:10, 5:40, 8:35 P. M., and 12:50 A. M.

MONTCLAIR DIVISION.

Trains leave New-York, foot Cortlandt and Desbrosses sts., for Montclair, Pompton, and intermediate stations, 9:10 A. M., 4:30 and 4:30 P. M. For Montclair and intermediate stations, 7:40 A. M., 5:30 and 6:20 P. M. Arrive, 7:30, 8:27, 9:10, 10:04 A. M., 4:10 and 8:33 P. M.

‡ Does not run beyond Middletown.
† Does not run beyond Hawthorne.
† Does not run beyond Bloomingburg.

C. W. DOUGLASS, Superintendent.
WM. H. WEED, General Ticket Agent.

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Passenger Station in New-York, Grand Central Depot. Entrance on 42d-st.

TRAINS LEAVE NEW-YORK.

Boston Express via Springfield at 8:35 A. M., 3:08, and 8:3 P. M., via Shore Line at 12:20 and 9:07 P. M., and stopping at Stamford, South Norwalk and Bridgeport.

Trains for New-Haven leave at 7:05, 8:05 (Ex.), 11:35 A. M., 12:20, (Ex.,) 3:52, 4:35, 5:36, 8:05 (Ex.,) 9:07 (Ex.) P. M. Additional to Bridgeport at 9:36 A. M. to South Norwalk at 6:35 P. M., and to Stamford at 10:05 A. M.; 2:20, 4:50, 6, and 7:20 P. M. The 8:05 P. M. Express stops at New-Rochelle and Port Chester, and the 9:07 P. M. Express at Mt. Vernon, Mamaroneck, and Rye.

Sunday Boston Mail Trains at 7:05 P. M. via Springfield and 9:07 P. M. via Providence.

Drawing-room cars on Day Express and Sleeping Cars on Night Express Trains.

Tickets can be purchased at ticket office of company at Grand Central Depot, or at offices of New-York Transfer Company, No. 944 Broadway, New-York, and No. 1 Court-st., Brooklyn; who will also check baggage from residence to destination.

For further information of particulars see posters at hotels and depots.

JOHN T. MOODY,
Sup't of N. Y. and N. H. Div.

NEW-YORK CENTRAL & HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.

Commencing on Monday, Nov. 4, 1872. Through Trains will leave Grand Central Depot.

4.00 A. M., Chicago and Montreal Express, with drawing-room cars through to Rochester and St. Albans.

10.30 A. M. Special Chicago Express, with drawing-room cars to Buffalo and Niagara Falls.

10.45 A. M., Northern and Western Express.

3.40 P. M., Special Express for Albany and Troy.

4.00 P. M., Montreal Express, with sleeping-cars from New-York to St. Albans.

6.00 P. M., Express, daily, with sleeping-cars for Watertown and Canandaigua.

8.00 P. M., Pacific Express, with sleeping-cars for Rochester, Buffalo and Niagara Falls; also, for Chicago via both L. S. and M. C. Railroads. This train runs on sundays.

11.00 P. M., Express, with sleeping-cars for Troy and Albany.

C. H. KENDRICK, General Passenger Agent.

RAILROADS.

CENTRAL RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY.

Allentown Line to the West.—Passenger and Freight Depot in New-York, foot of Liberty-st.—Winter Arrangement.—Commencing Dec. 16, 1872, leave New-York as follows:

8 A. M.—Way-train for Somerville.

7 A. M.—For Flemington, Easton, Bethlehem, Bath, Manch Chunk, Wilkesbarre, Pittston, Mahanoy City, Mt. Carmel, Hazleton, Towanda, &c., with through cars to Williamsport; connects at Junction with Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad.

9 A. M.—Morning Express, daily (except Sundays,) for Easton, Allentown, Harrisburg, and the West; connects at Somerville for Flemington; at Easton for Manch Chunk, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Towanda, Waverley, &c.

10:15 A. M.—Way-train for Somerville.

12 M.—Way-train for Somerville.

12:50 P. M.—For Flemington, Easton, Bath, Allentown, Manch Chunk, Mahanoy City, Hazleton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Reading, Columbia, Lancaster, Pottsville, Harrisburg, &c.

2:30 P. M.—For Easton, Bethlehem, and Allentown.

3:15 P. M.—For Plainfield.

4 P. M.—For Easton, Allentown, and Manch Chunk; connects at Junction with Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad.

4:30 P. M.—For Somerville and Flemington.

5 P. M.—For Somerville.

5:15 P. M.—For Plainfield.

5:30 P. M.—Evening Express, daily, for Easton, Bethlehem, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Pittsburg, and Chicago.

6 and 6:45 P. M.—For Somerville.

7:30 P. M.—(Emigrant)—For Easton.

9 and 11 P. M.—For Plainfield.

SUNDAY TRAINS.

8 A. M., 5:15 P. M.—For Somerville.

For Plainfield, Easton, Allentown, Manch Chunk, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Reading, Columbia, Lancaster, Pottsville, Harrisburg, &c.

2:30 P. M.—For Easton, Bethlehem, and Allentown.

4 P. M.—For Easton, Allentown, and Manch Chunk.

Superintendent and Engineer.

H. P. BALDWIN, General Passenger Agent.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD COMPANY.

Trains will leave James slip as follows. (Leave 34th-st., East River, fifteen minutes later.)

8:30 A. M.—Greenport Mail.

10:30 A. M.—Port Jefferson, Northport, Locust Valley, and Rockaway trains.

3 P. M.—Riverhead and Sag Harbor Express trains. (through to Greenport on Saturdays.)

4 P. M.—Port Jefferson, Northport, and Locust Valley Express.

5 P. M.—Hempstead Express.

6 P. M.—Northport and Rockaway Accommodation.

All trains connect at Jamaica with East New-York, and at Mineola with Hempstead.

BANKRUPT NOTICES.

DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of NATHAN THAYER, DANIEL BOOKSTAVER, and S. HERVEY SLOSSON, bankrupts.—In Bankruptcy.—A warrant has been issued by said Court against the estate of Nathan Thayer, of Orange, in the County of Essex, New-Jersey, and Daniel Bookstaver, of Syracuse, New-York, and S. Hervey Slosson, of the City of New-York, in said district, adjudged bankrupts upon the petition of the said Nathan Thayer, and the payment of any debts and the delivery of any property belonging to said bankrupts, or to their use, and the transfer of any property by them are forbidden by law. A meeting of the creditors of said bankrupts, to prove their debts and choose one or more assignees of their estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 522 Broadway, City of New-York, Room No. 6, in said district, on the 9th day of April, A. D. 1873, at 12 o'clock M., at the office of Isaac Dayton, one of the Registers in Bankruptcy of said District.

OLIVER E. WOLCOTT, Marshal.—Messenger.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of CAROLINE M. REICHMAN, RUDOLPH REICHMAN, and MAURICE BENDIX, Bankrupts.—In Bankruptcy.—To the creditors of said bankrupts and all others interested: Take notice, that a third general meeting of the creditors of said bankrupts will be held at the office of James F. Dwight, one of the Registers in Bankruptcy, in said district, at No. 7 Beekman-street, New-York City, on the 10th day of April, A. D. 1873, at 2 o'clock P. M., for the purposes named in the twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth sections of the act of Congress entitled "An act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States," approved March 2, 1867.—Dated New-York, March 25, 1873.

MOSES S. HERMAN, Assignee.

CHARLES H. SMITH, attorney for assignee, No. 243 Broadway, New-York.

IN BANKRUPTCY.—IN THE DISTRICT Court of the United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of JAMES L. HARLEM and CHARLES T. RICHARDSON, bankrupts.—Notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed in said court, by James L. Harlem, in said district, duly declared a bankrupt under the act of Congress of March 2, 1867, for a discharge and certificate thereof from all his debts, both copartnership and individual, and other claims provable under said act, and that the 19th day of April, 1873, at 3 o'clock P. M., at the office of Edward Ketchum, Esq., Register in Bankruptcy, Nos. 12 and 14 John-street, in the City of New-York, is assigned for the hearing of the same, when and where any person who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest may attend and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted.—Dated New-York, on the 27th day of March, 1873.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of JOHN L. JENNYS and JOHN L. R. JENNYS, JR., bankrupts.—In Bankruptcy.—Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order of this Court, made in the above matter on the 21st day of March, A. D. 1873, a second general meeting of the creditors of said bankrupts will be held at New-York City, in said district, on the 9th day of April, A. D., 1873, at 2 o'clock P. M., at the office of James F. Dwight, Esq., No. 7 Beekman-street, in said city, one of the Registers in Bankruptcy in said district, for the purposes named in the twenty-seventh section of the act of Congress, entitled "An act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States," approved March 2, 1867.

GEORGE YOUNG, Assignee, &c.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES BROTHERS & COMPANY, Bankrupts.—The list of creditors filed in said case being incomplete, all creditors who have not been represented in Court are requested to communicate forthwith with the undersigned, and give their address and the nature and amount of their claims, in order that the full amount of indebtedness may be ascertained as early as possible.

HENRY H. NOBLE, Assignee,
No. 10 Court-street, Boston.

New-York creditors can learn the necessary facts by applying to RANDOLPH, ROBINSON & WOODRUFF, Counselors at Law, No. 109 Broadway, New-York City.

NO. 2,608.—IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF the United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of SAMUEL BLAKELEY, bankrupt.—In Bankruptcy.—To whom it may concern: The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as assignee of the estate of SAMUEL BLAKELEY, of the City of New-York, in the County of New-York, and State of New-York, within and district, who has been adjudged a bankrupt upon his own petition by the District Court of said district.—Dated at New-York the 25th day of March, A. D. 1873.

ROBERT CUNNINGHAM, Assignee,
No. 11 Broad-street, New-York City.

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IN THE MATTER OF DAVID LASKY, a

NEW-YORK CITY NEWS.

BROADWAY WIDENING.

The Sale of Buildings Yesterday—Amount Realized.

At 10 o'clock yesterday morning, Auctioneer William Kinnerly, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, commenced the sale of buildings, parts of buildings, &c., to be removed in consequence of the widening of Broadway. The sale began with No. 555 Sixth-avenue, near Thirty-fourth-street, and extending along the west side of Broadway to the intersection of Seventh-avenue, at Forty-third-street, where the west line of Broadway is lost in Seventh-avenue, owing to its oblique intersection, for three blocks. At Forty-sixth-street the sale crossed over to the east side of Broadway, and it clears off the entire block between Broadway and Seventh-avenue and Thirty-sixth and Thirty-seventh-streets; then it continued along the west side of Broadway to No. 1,432, between Forty-eighth and Forty-ninth streets, and then crossing back to the west side, just before reaching the corner of Fiftieth-street, continued to Fifty-ninth-street. This jumping from one side of the street to the other is necessary to straighten the thoroughfare. It cuts off the elbow at Fifty-second-street, and lessens the bends or angles in other places. The line from Thirty-fourth-street to Fifty-ninth is about a mile and a quarter long. The houses sold were nearly all old fabrics, many of them built of wood, ricketty and of little value, and, with a few exceptions, the brick buildings were not much better. The portions of the houses sold varied in width corresponding with the width of the strip of ground which the City takes for the street, commencing with a sharp point where the new line of Broadway strikes the west side of Sixth-avenue, near Thirty-fourth-street, and widening out to 48 feet 9 inches at Forty-ninth-street. Above this the more abrupt deviation of the old lines from a straight course causes the strip sold to vary in width from a point to nearly 90 feet, and at Fifty-first and Fifty-second streets, where the elbow is cut, a width of 64 and 100 feet is attained. Above Fifty-second-street it tapers again to a point at Fifty-ninth-street.

There was quite a large attendance at the sale; bidding was brisk, and the property brought unexpectedly good prices, the former owners being in many instances the purchasers.

The front portions of the four-story brick houses, Nos. 563 and 567 Sixth-avenue and No. 1,378 Broadway, sold to Edward Lawrence for $500 to F. Lawrence. The part sold varied from a point 29 feet 9 inches deep at Thirty-fourth-street. The block of two, three and four story brick buildings, between Thirty-fourth and Thirty-fifth streets, brought in the aggregate $1,050. The only good building, between Thirty-fifth and Thirty-sixth streets, is a four-story brick store, numbered 1,399, 1,399½, and 1,398, which brought $650 for the front strip of about 26 feet.

The part sold of the three-story brick houses, Nos. 1,313 and 1,339, above Thirty-seventh-street, was bought by V. C. Trippler for $750. The four-story brick house at the corner of Forty-second-street, known as the Broadway Hotel and Metropolitan Gas Company's office, sold for $1,000 to Michael Conners. The row of three-story brick buildings, Nos. 1,506 to 1,510 inclusive, were bought by W. W. Smith for $625. The highest figure reached was $1,300 for the four-story brown-stone front building, No. 1,415, near Fifty-third-street, which was bought by Owen Murphy. Nos. 1,403 and 1,405, four-story brick houses, corner of Fifty-third-street, were also bought by Mr. Murphy for $1,195, and Nos. 1,501 and 1,507 for $820, by the same. The smallest sale was for $1 50. Quite a piece out of the four-story brick factory on the north west corner of Fifty-seventh-street and Broadway sold for $340, and a little wedge-shaped section that brought $10, is to be cut away from the five-story brick factory at Forty-eighth-street.

There were a few other tolerably good brick buildings, but by far the greater part were poor things that realized quite all they were worth.

The total amount realized by the sale, including $729 auctioneer's fees and expenses, was $17,369 50.

The purchasers are required to remove the material off the ground by the 1st of May.

The New Anchor Steam-Ship Castalia.

Another new steam-ship, the Castalia, of the Anchor line, has arrived at this port. This company have, within the past fourteen months, added eight new vessels to their fleet, and the total number now owned by them is nearly forty, over thirty of which are running to this country from various European ports. The company have five others building, and one of them, the Utopia, will arrive here about the 1st of May. The Castalia left Glasgow on March 12, and arrived at Sandy Hook on Wednesday morning. She is 306 feet 6 inches in length, 34 feet 6 inches breadth of beam, and 29 feet 2 inches depth of hold from the spar-deck, and 21 feet 8 inches from the tonnage deck. Her gross tonnage is 2,300 tons; net, 1,620 tons. Her engines are on the compound principle, direct acting, and surface condensing, with all the latest improvements. She has two cylinders, one 38 inches and the other 68 inches in diameter, with a stroke of 3 feet 6 inches. The steam pressure is 65 pounds to the square inch. The steam is supplied by two boilers, each having four furnaces. The screw is 16 feet in diameter, and the propeller has a pitch of 21 feet. The nominal horse-power is 434, but she is capable of working up to 800. The engines were built by the Anchor Line Steam-ship Works, and the hull by Charles Connell & Co., of Glasgow. She has three masts, brass covered, and is bark rigged. There are seven boats, provided with the newest lowering apparatus. On the top deck are five donkey-engines, with cranes used in loading and unloading cargo, &c. The wheel-house is connected by telegraph with the bridge, the new patent steering gear being used. There is, on this deck, a splendid promenade, with smoking-room for the gentlemen and a sitting-room for the ladies.

The saloon is amidships, and occupies the entire width of the vessel, and is suitably fitted up. The state-rooms are on each side of the vessel from the saloon aft, and a passage way extends completely around the ship. Each state-room is made in such a manner that the berths can be let down side by side, to suit families. Electric bells connect each room with the steward's pantry. The state-rooms are fitted with satin and teak wood, and are finished off very prettily.

In the fore part of the ship, and between the second and third decks, the steerage passengers are accommodated. This portion especially is well ventilated, a new patent machine for carrying off all foul air running through from one side to the other. On the deck above are two hospitals, surgery, watercloseets, second-class cabins, and the apartments for the officers and crew.

The whole vessel is well arranged and ventilated, and everything is introduced for the comfort and convenience of the passengers. The officers of the Castalia are as follows: Captain, Thomas Butler; First Officer, D. Murray; Second Officer, George W. Reed; Third Officer, W. Robb; Purser, W. Dennis; Steward, W. Allen; Chief Engineer, Hugh Reed; Second Engineer, George Purvis; Third Engineer, James Murray; Fourth Engineer, John Killmister.

Tax-Payers' Union, Twelfth Ward—Additional School Facilities Wanted.

The Tax-payers' Union of the Twelfth Ward met last evening at Third-avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-second-street, E. H. Brown in the chair.

Mr. Granville P. Hawes, chairman of the committee appointed to inquire into the condition of the schools in the Twelfth Ward, and to recommend a suitable location for a school site, submitted the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, The rapid emigration to this section of the City and the great distances of schools from a certain part of our population, demand better and more commodious school accommodations; therefore

Resolved, That it is the sense of this association that an appropriation be made for building a school on One Hundred and Twenty-eighth-street, the site lately granted the School Board.

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees and our citizens be urged to forward the completion of such a building to the extent of their ability.

Resolved, That it is the desire of this association that, through the public Press and by every other accessible instrumentality, the people of this district should be aroused to a sense of their duty as citizens, to protect with sacred care the interests of our common schools, and that they unite, without regard to party, in the attempt to elevate and purify our system of school government, and that they be urged to co-operate with our local board, with this association, and with all other powers in securing new buildings, better accommodations, and a more generous treatment for the school interests of this ward.

The resolutions were freely, but favorably, discussed and unanimously adopted, after which the meeting adjourned.

An Assault With a Cleaver—A Witness Arrested for Perjury.

William Olive, a laborer, residing in Seventy-eighth-street, was the possessor of a venerable goat, which he lost some time ago, and suspecting that the missing animal was concealed in the premises of a neighboring butcher, named Solms, he extended his researches into his neighbor's yard. Mrs. Solms received the intruder with some smart chops with a cleaver, and her husband coming to her assistance, so soundly belabored the luckless owner of the goat, that he was rendered totally blind. The case came on before the Court of Special Sessions yesterday, and some hard swearing was indulged in by the defendant and his witness, Charles Cummerow, No. 1,298 Third-avenue, who testified that he was present on the occasion of the alleged assault on Olive, and that he did not see Mr. Solms strike the plaintiff. The Court took a different view of the matter, and Justice Bixby, in passing sentence, said: "Solms, the Court finds you guilty. This is a very aggravated case, and you deserve severe punishment. Besides, the Court believes your witness committed willful and deliberate perjury. The sentence we impose on you is that you be committed to the Penitentiary for three months, and fined $100."

Cummerow was arrested directly after, taken before Justice Scott, and committed on a charge of perjury, in default of $1,000 bail. Owing to a defect in the complaint, the case against Mrs. Solms was not tried. It will come up at the General Sessions.

THE BULL'S HEAD BANK.

Action of the Depositors Yesterday—New Capital to be Subscribed.

A meeting of the depositors of the Bull's Head Bank was held yesterday at Teutonia Assembly Rooms, Mr. A. S. Cameron in the chair.

The report of the committee appointed to confer with the stockholders was then presented. After setting forth the action of the committee from the time of its appointment, and repeating the resolutions passed and decisions arrived at by the stockholders, at their meeting on Wednesday, in accordance with the views of the joint committee, as published in THE TIMES of yesterday, the report says:

In laying the propositions, contained in the resolutions, &c., referred to, before you, gentlemen, for your consideration, we desire to call your attention to the advantages which it offers, and which are as follows: If promptly acted upon it will enable the bank to resume business probably by Monday, the 7th day of April, giving us access to our funds now locked up therein on that day. It will enable the bank to resume business with an increased capital, and place it upon a firmer footing than ever, and the fact of every depositor being a stockholder, and thus having a voice in the management of the bank, will give additional promise of success and prosperity. The shares of the bank stock are $25 each, par value; there will be 12,000 shares of preferred stock, one-half of which, 6,000 shares at least, should be taken by us. If you accept the above proposition, it is for each of you to say how much of the stock you will subscribe for. The total amount to be subscribed is $300,000. Presuming that the stockholders will take one-half of this amount, ($150,000,) the remaining $150,000 to be subscribed for by you, you will represent about twelve and a half per cent., or one-eighth of the amount standing to your credit. For this or a larger amount, you can subscribe by drawing your checks against the Bull's Head Bank, to the order of such person as you may agree upon, and there will be issued to you bank stock entitled to semi-annual dividends at the rate of ten per cent. per annum, leaving the balance of your deposits subject to your control as soon as the bank opens.

After alluding to the labors of the committee, the report concludes as follows:

Such, gentlemen, is the report of your committee. Its adoption and indorsement by you will give you access to seven-eighths of your funds almost immediately, and to the entire bank stock for the other one-eighth, and entitle you to a voice in the management of the bank. All of which is respectfully submitted. (Signed,)

A. S. CAMERON, Chairman,
for all the number.

On motion the report was received and adopted.

Mr. Cornelius O'Reilly then offered a resolution which was adopted, to the effect that power be given to the committee to reorganize the affairs of the bank, and calling upon the depositors to draw their checks on the Bull's Head Bank to the order of A. S. Cameron, the chairman, to be by him applied as a subscription to the new preferred stock.

Mr. Mott then offered the following which was adopted unanimously.

Resolved, That in case the preferred stock contemplated by the foregoing resolution cannot be secured in accordance with the report of the committee of this meeting, then that the chairman be, and is hereby, authorized to use the funds subscribed as, in the opinion of a majority of the committee may best secure the interests of the depositors in the reopening of the bank.

Mr. Cameron then proposed the following resolution, which was also adopted:

That by the closing of the Bull's Head Bank, a concern which has stood very high in the confidence of the business community, the depositors are not only seriously injured and embarrassed, but the effect of such closing, in view of the previous high standing of the bank, must be to shake the confidence of the community at large in the safety of banks generally. And, as the managers of moneyed institutions and the general public have, (in our estimation,) wrested in terror to lament a spirit of those who, while they were guilty as thieves in the worst sense, and deserving of punishment as such, have been allowed to go unpunished under the softened name of defaulters. We, on the contrary, recognizing the danger of such a precedent, do hereby declare it to be our inflexible purpose to trace the responsibility of the present condition of the Bull's Head Bank to the guilty parties, and see that such an example is made of them as will have a wholesome effect upon the conduct of the officers of similar institutions who are intrusted with the custody of money not their own.

Mr. Cameron said that in view of the proposed action of both the stockholders and depositors, he was authorized by one of the members of the firm who were the petitioners in the bankruptcy proceedings to state that they consented to a postponement of the case on Saturday next, which was the day set down for the hearing.

W. Nooney offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we pledge ourselves to subscribe twenty-five per cent. of our deposits toward the new stock before we leave the room.

The chairman stated that secretaries were in attendance, and that every facility would be offered for carrying this into effect. A recess was then ordered.

After recess, the names of those who had subscribed, together with the amount of each check, were read out, when it was found that the 134 members present had already agreed to take up $90,000 worth of the new stock. The announcement of this result was received with cheers.

The meeting then adjourned, subject to the call of the chair.

As an instance of the favor shown to some by the bank authorities, it may be mentioned that of the $84,000 of special loans, as mentioned in the statement of assets lately published, Mr. Mead, the present acting President, carries, of that, $80,000, but which, it is said, is covered by miscellaneous securities or collaterals deposited against it. The same gentleman has also been in the habit of having paper discounted by the bank. The amount of this has increased since his appointment as President pro tem.

During the afternoon a meeting of directors was held at the bank, all being present. The general state of affairs was talked over, after which a resolution was adopted pledging the board to the adoption of such resolutions as passed by the stockholders and depositors, and also to the issuing of the $300,000 new preferred stock as soon as legally called upon to do so.

On inquiry at the Ashland House, last evening, it was found that about $110,000 had already been subscribed for by the depositors.

It is expected by to-morrow evening that the whole amount of $150,000 will be made up.

Rowing Notes.

The correspondence between Ellis Ward and John Biglin has terminated in a match, $100 a side being now up to make it good. The race will be rowed under the same conditions which governed their last race, at Nyack, the time and place only being changed. It is agreed to row on the Connecticut River, at Springfield, Mass., the day after the College Regatta, which will be held in the latter part of July.

Thomas Fearon is rowing regularly, weather permitting, in preparation for his race with Englehart.

The Gramercy's elegant floating boat-house, on the Harlem River, will be finished in about six weeks.

The Nassau's second house is completed, and the old one has been fitted up with lockers as a dressing-room.

The rowers in Pittsburg are projecting a grand regatta for the Fourth of July, the prize for the single-scull race to be $600.

The rowers in Savannah, Ga., attempted to get up a national regatta, but failed; they will, in consequence, confine themselves to their annual local regatta to come off about May 20.

A home and home race is talked of between the Nassau Boat Club, of this City, and the Analostan Boat Club, of Washington, D. C., one race to be rowed on the Harlem River, the other on the Potomac.

J. H. Sadler and W. Bagnall are matched.

The Harlem River, now thickly populated by the numerous amateur rowers who have located upon its southern shore, presents a very gay appearance on mild afternoons, as all appear anxious to make an early beginning, the prospects of the coming rowing season being unusually brilliant.

Verdict Against Bond-Forgers.

The suit of Scott & Dougherty, Wall-street brokers, against Henry C. Cole, was concluded yesterday, in the Kings County Circuit Court. In the Winter of 1871 the plaintiffs negotiated $10,000 worth of forged Allentown, Penn. school district bonds, offered by one Snedecker, acting as agent of Cole, who afterward avowed the ownership. The jury, without hesitation, brought in a verdict for plaintiffs for $10,093 96. Cole, who has already served terms in prison for counterfeiting, has been arrested, and is under bail to answer.

Death from Taking Laudanum.

Yesterday, Mr. Charles Parsons, a contributor to a New-York evening paper, was found dead in his room, in the house of Mrs. Carpenter, at No. 62 South Second-street, Williamsburg. He had complained for several days of sleeplessness, and, on Monday, procured a bottle of laudanum, of which he took two doses, of twenty-five drops each, and then swallowed the remainder at once. On Wednesday evening he retired to his room, and was found dead yesterday morning.

Controller's Receipts.

Controller Green reports the following amounts collected yesterday and paid into the City Treasury, viz:

Receiver of Taxes—From taxes, Croton rent, and interest	$11,896 77
Bureau of Arrears—From arrearages of taxes, assessments, Croton rent, and interest	3,871 46
Collector of Assessments—From assessments for street openings and improvements	5,772 89
Bureau of City Revenue—From market rents and fees	1,381 27
Total	$22,924 39

THE TEMPERANCE CAUSE.

Conference of the Friends of Temperance at Steinway Hall.

A conference of the friends of temperance was held yesterday afternoon in Steinway Hall. A fair audience was in attendance, including a large number of ladies. Mr. Wm. E. Dodge presided, and stated the objects of the meeting to be to hear an address by Rev. John Hall, D. D., upon "The Social Drinking Usages," and to confer together on the subject of temperance, and how to promote it.

Rev. Dr. Hall was introduced and delivered an interesting address, which was frequently applauded. There were, he said, three modes of social drinking. The first is where families have wine as an ordinary drink on their tables. Second, where public entertainments are given at parties where wines are freely passed to all, and third, at public entertainments where men alone assemble and toasts are given. The speaker discountenanced these usages, and spoke of the increase of intemperance, which was in a large measure due to these social customs. There was, he regretted to say, more drinking among the higher and wealthier classes of this community than was generally supposed; and more among females, young females, too, than one could readily imagine.

Mr. A. M. Powell offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this conference that a large proportion of the prevailing intemperance has its origin in the drinking usages associated by custom and fashion with the offices of hospitality and friendship.

Resolved, That as alcoholic liquors, taken as a beverage, are declared by the best scientific authority to be always poisonous and inimical to health, true hospitality demands their disuse alike in the family, the social circle, and on all festive occasions.

Resolved, That as, in the words of Bishop Potter, "fashion propagates itself downward," we appeal especially to those whose education or position gives them a commanding sway over the opinions and practices of others to teach both by example and precept the fundamental lesson of the temperance reformtotal abstinence from all intoxicating liquors as a beverage.

Rev. W. C. Steele said he regretted to say it, but he was of the opinion that drunkenness was on the increase in the United States. While in Washington, at the inauguration, the 4th of March, he was shocked at the sights of drunken men, and he saw in ten hours more of the evil effects of strong drink than he ever saw in so short a space of time elsewhere. There were drunken citizens, drunken soldiers, and drunken officers, and also drunken Congressmen.

Mr. Page looked at the matter in the same light as his worthy friend, Mr. Steele. He felt that a good example was set by the President and many other officials in Washington, on New Year's Day, who dispensed with wines and liquors at their receptions. It was worthy of imitation everywhere. And it was encouraging to know that there was a Congressional Temperance Society, which numbered as members more than sixty Senators and Representatives. There was less, far less, drunkenness in America than in Europe. A great good would result from a suppression of the traffic in liquors, and a strong effort in this direction should be made.

Rev. Dr. Fox spoke of the influence the ladies exercised for good or evil in the matter of intemperance. Woman had a duty in this matter to perform, and it behooved her to exercise her influence to prevent the spread of intemperance.

Mr. Powell next submitted a resolution, tendering the thanks of the conference to Rev. Dr. Hall for his able and valuable address upon the "Social Drinking Usages." The meeting then adjourned.

Annual Meeting of the Brooklyn Mercantile Library.

The annual meeting of the Mercantile Library of Brooklyn was held last evening in the reading-room, Mr. Adrian Van Sinderen in the chair. The report was read showing that 3,641 volumes had been added to the library during the year, making the entire number 44,647 volumes. Donations had been made of 398 volumes, 452 pamphlets, and several valuable engravings. The membership of the institution was about 3,450, including 2,350 active members, 700 life members, and 300 special members. The circulation of books during the year was 131,313, the largest daily circulation being 816. The excess of circulation over that of 1871 was over 10,000, and the total was only exceeded by that of four public libraries in the United States. Including the books referred to in the library itself, the circulation for the year might be considered as exceeding 150,000. The Treasurer's report, presented by Mr. Josiah B. Blossom, showed an equal expenditure, with the receipts of about $16,000, leaving a balance of about $560 in the treasury. Great progress was reported in the raising of funds by subscription for cataloguing the library, constructing new shelves, and for other general improvements. The net proceeds of the Tyndall lectures was about $6,100, the whole amount of which was donated to the education of American students in science, &c. A chess club had been opened in the building for the especial use of the members, the receipts from which amounted to $282 50. One thousand copies of the report were, on motion, ordered to be printed, after which the meeting adjourned.

Fires Yesterday.

At 4½ o'clock yesterday morning a fire occurred in the liquor-store of Wm. H. Lounsbury, on the first floor of the three-story frame building, No. 117 Ninth-avenue. The fire extended to No. 119, also a frame building, but was quickly extinguished. The loss of Lounsbury is estimated at $600; no insurance. The building is owned by Geo. Eisle, and is damaged to the extent of $200; insured for $3,000 in the Rutgers Company. No. 119 is owned by Patrick Cullen, and is occupied by him as a grocery-store and dwelling. Damage to stock, building, and furniture, $500; insured for $1,500 in the St. Nicholas Company. The fire is supposed to have been caused by a defective flue.

At 10 o'clock yesterday, a fire occurred on the second floor of the four-story brick building, No. 333 Canal-street, occupied by H. Mandel, manufacturer of ostrich hair goods, caused by one of the employes going too near the stove with some loose lute. Damage to stock, &c., $500; insured for $1,500. The first floor is occupied by Adams & Allen, dealers in cloths, damage to stock by water $500. The basement is occupied by Mortimer & Co., dealers in trunks, damage $300; insured. The building is owned by Franklin Evans, damaged $200; insured.

Personal.

Count Yesiombe, of Barcelona, Spain Commander J. H. Sheck, of the United States Navy, and H. B. James, Chief Clerk of the Treasury Department, are at the Metropolitan Hotel.

Judge J. W. Bell, of Texas, is at the Astor House.

Hon. J. Bruce Ogilby, of Scotland; J. V. L. Pruyn, of Albany, and Thomas C. Cox, of Washington, are at the Brevoort House.

Homer Ramsdell, of Newburg, is at the Hoffman House.

Ex-Gov. J. B. Page, of Vermont; Congressman T. C. McCreery, of Kentucky; ex-Congressman E. J. Golladay of Tennessee; Gen. B. F. Bruce, of the United States Army, and Col. N. T. Sprague, of Vermont, are at the Grand Central Hotel.

Congressman Charles O'Neil, of Philadelphia; ex-Congressman William Williams, of Buffalo; ex-Congressman C. V. Culver, of Pennsylvania; Judge Richard Busteed, of Alabama; W. H. Barnum, of Connecticut, and E. N. Goring, Sergeant-at-Arms, State Senate, are at the Fifth-avenue Hotel.

Mayor Charles M. Reed, Erie, Penn.; Hon. J. B. Stewart, of Washington, D. C.; ex-Congressman J. F. Farnsworth, of Illinois; Gen. C. H. Prentice, of Hartford, and Hon. G. D. Smith, of Elmira, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel.

Capt. J. H. Merryman, of the United States Revenue Marine Service; Capt. N. B. Palmer, of Connecticut, and C. W. Foster, of the United States Army, are at the New-York Hotel.

Robbery on a Third-Avenue Car.

Last evening, while Mr. James Bogardus, of No. 220 East Fourteenth-street, was endeavoring to get on board of car No. 130 of the Third-avenue line, in the Bowery, near Prince-street, he was rudely jostled against by a man who stood on the rear platform, and who appeared to be intent on preventing Mr. Bogardus' entrance into the car. The latter was compelled to force his way past the stranger, and while he was doing so he was robbed of his gold watch, valued at $200, evidently by the man who barred his entrance to the interior of the car. In a few moments Mr. Bogardus missed his time-piece, and observing that the thief had just left the car, and was still in sight, he called upon the conductor to stop, but the latter refused. Mr. Bogardus was not willing to risk his neck by jumping from the car, which was in rapid motion, and the thief made his escape with the watch. Mr. Bogardus will to-day make a formal complaint against the conductor, and will endeavor to have him arrested and punished.

The New-York City Mission.

The City Mission held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, at the Brick Presbyterian Church. The returns for the month show 38 missions established in the City, 10,762 missionary visits, 459 meetings, 342 families relieved, and 1,100 lodgings and 1,600 meals given to friendless men. Receipts, $3,699 79; disbursements, $9,380 67. Deficit, $3,686 88.

Escape of Imprisoned Marines.

Some time during Wednesday night, three United States marines, who had been sentenced by court-martial to one year's imprisonment at the Marine Barracks, Flushing-avenue, Brooklyn, made their escape by using their iron bedstead as a ladder, and cutting a hole through the roof of their prison. They also broke through a brick wall adjoining the prison, and carried off about forty flannel blouses, three overcoats, and a number of shirts, in all worth $250. The men's names are Frederick Rose, Thomas R. Rolin, and Joseph H. Dearing. Col. Browne has offered a reward of $20 each for their delivery to him as prisoners at the barracks.

INCONGRUITIES OF CONGRESS.

Lecture by Hon. Robert B. Roosevelt Last Evening.

Congressman Robert B. Roosevelt lectured last evening, at No. 198 Prince-street, on "Congressional Incongruities." In commencing his address, Mr. Roosevelt explained that many difficulties existed in Congress to debar proper legislation. During the session of Congress just closed, 800 bills were passed, but half the members of the House did not know what they were doing in regard to them, and one in twenty did not know what they were about. He gave a very amusing illustration of the manner in which bills were read by the clerk, showing the utter impossibility of any member gathering their import, because of the rapidity and indistinctness of the utterance.

The bill is sent to a committee for consideration, the committee being principally composed from the ranks of the party in power, so that in this respect the Republicans were responsible for everything done in the last session of Congress. In connection with the proceedings of these committees, he mentioned that of the Committee of the Board of Public Works in Washington, which involved $10,000,000, the credit of the American Government, and the security of the American bonds abroad. The deliberations of that committee lasted forty days, but nothing was ever heard of it afterward. Could anything be more absurd than such a proceeding? He, with others of the committee, prepared a minority report, but the matter never came up before Congress until he succeeded in bringing it up, on a motion to change the teachers in the colored schools. When the committee brings in a bill and recommends its passage, the previous question is moved, which means that all debate on the subject shall be shut off. That is the universal practice, and the minority was powerless to amend or modify. Their only hope is a motion to adjourn or a motion for a recess, say to a given time the following day. It takes from half an hour to an hour to count the votes on each question, and when it is borne in mind that motions to adjourn can be made ad infinitum, by simply naming a different hour, a few minutes earlier or later, it will be seen that this was a monstrosity and a barbarism that should have been done away with years ago. The member who proposes the previous question has one hour to discuss his own bill, and a more absurd and foolish practice could hardly be imagined. He, having control of the bill, permits only those to speak upon it whom he desires; not more than six are generally heard, so that the remaining 234 members are sitting in their seats like fools. If the bill goes through and is disapproved of by the Senate, a conference committee is appointed, who deliberate upon its character, and their report is accepted without any discussion. Through such a committee on the Civil Service bill a sum of $2,500,000 was voted the Board of Public Works in Washington, without any existing claim or a single provision for its expenditure. The expenditure of that sum could not be spoken against because it would involve the execution of the whole measure, and we recall that legislation. When the question of increase of salaries came up, only an addition of $1,500 was proposed, but a conference committee increased it to $2,500, and it was passed. Mr. Roosevelt then alluded to the extraordinary power vested in the Speaker, who could recognize only such members as he pleased. When the Credit Mobilier question came up in the House, the committee reported the expulsion of two members, and failed to take any action in regard to five others more or less involved. Nine members spoke in favor of the adoption of the report of the committee; nine spoke against it by permission of the Speaker, and those who wished to take a more stringent view of the case and move for the expulsion of five others who were equally implicated, could not obtain a hearing. Before a member could be recognized by the Speaker he should send up his name and a statement as to the point to which he would address himself, but when Mr. Roosevelt asked permission to be heard on a motion to have the other five members for expulsion, he was told he could not be heard at all. This he characterized as an outrageous stretch of autaority, but it was in keeping with the general manner in which legislation was conducted in Congress. He asserted a change was required, else the effect of these evils would eventually prove detrimental to the national honor and national existence.

Seventeenth District Reform Association and the Charter.

At a meeting of the Seventeenth Assembly District Reform Association, last night, in the church on Fiftieth-street, Col. Joel M. Mason presiding, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That this association urgently request the Republican Legislature of this State to pass a charter for this City which will effectually rid us of what still remains of Tammany Hall influence and power in the City Government, and one which will secure the fruits of the great reform victory won at the polls in last November, and enforce an honest and economical administration of the affairs of the City.

Resolved, That we refrain from expressing any preference for either of the several methods of appointment of heads of departments to the City Government, now under discussion by the Legislature, but earnestly hope that no difference of opinion on that point will endanger or defeat the final passage of a Reform charter.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Mayor Havemeyer for the judicious appointments made by him to the Board of Education. The meeting soon afterward adjourned.

Funeral of Mrs. Amita Carroll.

The funeral services of Mrs. Amita Carroll, only daughter of Mr. Royal Phelps and wife of Hon. John Lee Carroll, of Maryland, took place yesterday forenoon from St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church, on Twelfth-street, between Third and Fourth avenues, the remains having been previously removed from her father's residence, No. 22 West Sixteenth-street. A solemn high mass was celebrated. Very Rev. Father Preston, Chancellor of the diocese, was the celebrant, and Rev. Father Poole, deacon. Long before the services commenced Twelfth-street was blocked with carriages. The church was densely crowded in every part by the most prominent people in social and political circles in New-York. The casket containing the remains was of rosewood richly mounted with silver, and the interior was lined with white satin. Around the catafalque, on the casket, and on the altars, were crosses, crowns, and other sacred emblems composed of rare exotics, presented by the friends of the family. The air was heavy with the perfume of flowers and the smoke of incense from silver thuribles. At the conclusion of the mass, Father Preston spoke briefly and feelingly of the many and well-known virtues of the deceased, of her sudden taking off in the midst of her youth, and of the necessity of always being prepared to answer when the final summons came. The chief mourners were the father and husband of the deceased. There were no pall-bearers. At 11 o'clock the remains were again placed in the hearse, and, followed by a large number of carriages, borne to Green-Wood Cemetery and there placed in the family vault. At a future day the body will be removed to the home of Mr. Carroll, in Maryland.

Fatal Railroad Accidents.

Bernard Cronan, a laborer, was struck by the noon train on the Pennsylvania Railroad at South Elizabeth, N. J., yesterday, and fatally injured. He was about to cross the track, when struck by the locomotive and thrown for a considerable distance. On being picked up it was found that his skull was fractured and one leg broken. He was removed to his home in an insensible condition, there being no hope of his recovery.

Charles Simmonds, the brakeman who was injured on the New-Jersey Central Railroad at Communipaw, on Wednesday, died in the evening. He lived in Elizabethport, and was taken there, his injuries at first not being thought serious, and died while in the depot and before he could be taken to his home.

Street Boys' School Examination.

The night school attached to the Rivington-street Lodging-house for Homeless Boys was examined last night by Mr. C. L. Brace, Secretary of the Children's Aid Society; Mr. Howard Potter, one of the trustees; Mr. John W. Skinner, Superintendent of Schools, and Mr. Henry E. Hawley. The specimens of writing were highly commended, prizes being given by Mr. Potter for the best. In arithmetic and geography the boys acquitted themselves well, and several who did not know the letters last Fall could read tolerably well in the second reader.

Highway Robbers on the Battery.

The neighborhood of the Battery is becoming dangerous, and it is scarcely safe to cross it from the rowdies who prowl about at night ready to rob and perhaps murder the belated pedestrian. Henry White was attacked there by two men, who knocked him down and robbed him of his wallet, containing $35. Edward Dunn, one of the footpads, was arrested, and was committed by Justice Hogan yesterday.

The Brooklyn Plasterers.

The Employers' Plasterers' Association of Brooklyn met, last evening, to consider the rate of wages to be paid to workmen during the year beginning May 1. A committee was appointed to discuss the question in executive session, but no determination was reached. The sentiment of the meeting was that the plasterers would not insist on their demand for $4 a day, but that if they did, it would not be granted.

NEW-YORK AND SUBURBAN NEWS.

NEW-YORK.

Superintendent Kelso has been absent from his office since Tuesday last. He is confined to his house by severe illness.

The Mason & Hamlin Organ Company have recently removed to their spacious warerooms, No. 26 Union-square.

Frederick Holmken, No. 11 Beach-street, expired suddenly yesterday while passing the corner of Canal-street and the Bowery.

Conrad Tumher, a German, forty-five years of age, was yesterday found sick in the Bowery, and died soon after at the Eldridge-street Police-station.

The French Republican Union, of this City, has forwarded a congratulatory address to the Spanish Government on the establishment of the Republic in Spain.

Sharpers are engaged in sending around fraudulent telegrams on which they put $2 charges. The telegraph companies are investigating the matter, and will stop the swindle.

The claims of phrenology as a science will be presented at the Polytechnic Association, this evening, in answer to the objections raised by Prof. B. G. Wilder, in his lecture on the brain.

An entertainment was given at the Methodist Meeting-house, Eighteenth-street, near Eighth-avenue, last evening, with a programme similar to one rendered in 1773, in the same church.

Rev. Dr. Vincent, Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, of Troy, has accepted a call to succeed Rev. Dr. Prentiss, as Pastor of the Church of the Covenant, Park-avenue and Thirty-fifth-street.

The next lecture in the free course of scientific lectures for the people, at the Cooper Union, will take place to-morrow evening. Subject, "Voice and Speech," by Prof. Louis Elsberg, M. D.

It is stated that Rev. J. N. Galleher, rector of the Memorial Protestant Episcopal Church, Townsend-street, Baltimore, has accepted a call to this City as rector of Zion Church, formerly the charge of Bishop Southgate.

John Humphrey, mate of a British ship, was found drunk on the sidewalk in the Bowery yesterday. He stated to the police that he had been robbed of 20 sovereigns, four $20 gold pieces, and a watch and pin.

Michael K. Wilson, the South-street merchant, who was arrested on a charge of presenting a false writing at the Custom-house to procure an American registry for a British vessel, was yesterday released on bail by Commissioner Osborn.

The Twentieth Assembly District German Republican Association, H. F. Bauer presiding, held a meeting at No. 861 Third-avenue last night, and discussed the prospects of a new City charter, arguing in favor of its speedy enactment.

The German Republican Association of the Twentieth Assembly District, at its meeting last evening, passed a resolution expressive of regret at the want of a proper German representative element on the Board of School Commissioners.

United States Marshal Fiske, yesterday, caused the deputies attached to his office to be re-sworn, before Judge Blatchford, in the United States District Court, to prevent all technical objections as to the regularity of processes served by them.

John Moorehead, charged with dealing in counterfeit money, of the kind known as the Greeley stamps, was acquitted by the jury in the United States Circuit Court, yesterday, before Judge Benedict, the evidence against him not being conclusive.

Daniel D. Wright, alias Phil. Hanley, the alleged forger of Fort Wayne, Toledo, and Wabash certificates, and also charged with swindling the Continental Bank to the extent of $20,000, and John D. Murray of $11,500, was yesterday locked up in the Tombs, in default of $35,000 bail.

A meeting of the Naval Store Trade was held at the New-York Produce Exchange yesterday afternoon. Several amendments to the by-laws were proposed, but as they would be at variance with the Constitution of the Produce Exchange, were adopted, after which the meeting adjourned.

The Nineteenth Assembly District Republican Association met last evening at Eighty-fourth-street and Eighth-avenue, Mr. Jos. Cudlipp presiding. A committee on bye-laws and an executive committee were appointed, and, after some discussion on the subject of reorganization, the meeting adjourned.

A meeting was held last evening at No. 66 Essex-street, for the purpose of forming a People's Municipal Reform Association. Capt. John W. Holmes was elected President, and Mr. E. Simon, Secretary. Addresses were made by several gentlemen, reviewing the progress made by the ward associations since the formation of the People's Municipal Reform Association in the Fall of 1871.

BROOKLYN.

On the instructions of the Commissioners of Charities, 287 able-bodied paupers were discharged from the Flatbush Alms-house during the week ending on Wednesday.

A local improvement committee of twenty-five has been appointed to look after the interests of the Eighteenth and Twenty-first Wards in the matter of local improvements.

The funeral of the late Jonathan Jones, Secretary of Commonwealth Lodge, No. 409 F. and A. M., took place yesterday from the Church of the Holy Trinity, Rev. Dr. Hall officiating.

District-Attorney Tenney has reported adversely on the petition to pardon Eugene Tunnison, the Post-office clerk, who was sentenced in 1869 to five years in the Penitentiary for robbing the mails.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

Mr. Benjamin Hegeman (Democrat) was re-elected Supervisor of Pelham, on Tuesday, by a majority of three over his Democratic competitor, Mr. Hyatt.

NEW-JERSEY.

H. M. Bellew last evening read in the Jersey City Tabernacle.

The anniversary of the Jersey City Sunday-schools will take place in May.

The house of Dr. Nichols, in Hoboken, was, yesterday, robbed of goods valued at $250.

Three houses at Montclair, in Essex County, were robbed, on Wednesday morning, of goods valued at $400.

The jury in the Jersey *Times* libel case, which has attracted considerable attention in Jersey City, has disagreed, and yesterday was discharged.

The Court of Pardons, on Wednesday evening, extended pardons to all the Jersey City Police Commissioners convicted a year ago of malfeasance in office.

August Trevert, of Newark, has been missing for several days, and it is feared he has met with foul play, as he had a considerable sum of money in his possession.

William Jansen, second officer of the steamer Rhein, has been lodged in the Hudson County Jail, charged with smuggling. He will be taken back to Germany on Saturday.

At the meeting of the Jersey City Board of Finance, yesterday afternoon, the treasurer reported the balance in bank to be $24,747. No other business